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WASHINGTON NEW HAMPSHIRE

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FOR THE YEAR

1989

Annual Reports of the Town Officers of
WASHINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE
 For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1989
 Together with Reports of the
WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT
 For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1989

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TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR	G. Michael Otterson	1990
SELECTMEN	Ronald E. Roy	1992
	Martin A. Fallon*	1990
	Ronald Jager**	
	Richard E. Griffith, Chairman	1991
TOWN CLERK	Vicki Crane	1990
Deputies	Janice F. Philbrick	
	Lynda B. Roy	
TOWN TREASURER	Karin F. T. Fox	1990
Deputy	Lynda B. Roy	
TAX COLLECTOR	Janice F. Philbrick	1990
Deputies	Vicki Crane	
	Lynda B. Roy	
HIGHWAY AGENT	Kenneth Fletcher	1990
POLICE CHIEF	Paul Braley	
FIRE CHIEF	Robert J. Wright	1990
SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST	Katherine W. Killam	1994
	Alan Goodspeed	1990
	Beth Gallagher	1992
TRUSTEES OF THE LIBRARY	Martha Hamill	1992
	Virginia McKinnon	1990
	Pearl Devlin	1991
TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS	Pearl Devlin	1992
	Marcia Goodspeed	1990
	Elizabeth A. Wood	1991
TRUSTEES OF THE CEMETERIES	Marcia Goodspeed	1990
	Barbara Gaskell	1992
	Ethel Crane	1991
LIBRARY	Barbara Gaskell	

PLANNING BOARD

Thomas E. Talpey	1991
Robert Hamill	1992
David R. Crane*	1990
Julia Dunton**	
Dr. Timothy Wolfe	1992
Ex Officio Selectman	
Richard E. Griffith	
Kenneth Brighton	
David Rochford	

Alternates:

BOARD OF
ADJUSTMENT

Richard Niven, Chr.	1993
Barbara Payne	1994
Virginia Macy	1990
G. Michael Otterson	1991
Charles E. Dalphond	1992
Robert Crane, II	1992
Ralph D. Otterson	1990
James Hofford	1991

Alternates:

BOARD OF
ASSESSORS

Kathleen Hunt	1991
Beth Gallagher	1992
Charles Fields	1990

EMERGENCY
MANAGEMENT
DIRECTOR

James Hofford*
Jeremy Langley**
Kenneth Fletcher

Alternate:

CUSTODIAN

Hector Levesque

FOREST
FIRE WARDEN

Charles Dalphond

Deputies:

John Eccard
Steve Dube
Alan Goodspeed
Robert J. Wright
Hans Eccard
Philip Barker
Richard Gallagher

PARKS &
RECREATION
COMMISSION

Kathleen Hunt	1991
Linda Cook	1992
Richard E. Griffith	1990
Bruce Woodbury	1990
Sally Jenkins	1992

**ARCHIVES
COMMITTEE**

Grace Jager
Vicki Crane
Sally Krone

HEALTH OFFICER

Joseph K. Payne

**PRESERVATION
COMMITTEE**

Frederick Otterson
G. Michael Otterson
Larry Leizure

**MEETINGHOUSE
COMMITTEE**

Sally Krone
Philip Barker
Robert Cilley
Virginia Macy
Sally Jenkins

SAFETY COUNCIL

Joseph Payne
Robert Crane II
Ralph Otterson
Gwen Gaskell
Al Roulinavage

**SOLID WASTE
COMMITTEE**

James L. Hofford
Robert Hamill
Steve Dube

*Resigned

**Appointed to fill vacancy

The State of New Hampshire**TOWN WARRANT**

To the inhabitants of the Town of Washington qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet in the Town Hall in said Washington on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of March next at nine o'clock in the forenoon. The polls will open at 10:00 a.m. and not close before 7:00 p.m. to elect Town Officers. The following articles will be acted upon.

ARTICLE 1. To elect by nonpartisan ballot a Town Clerk, a Town Treasurer, a Road Agent, a Tax Collector and a Fire Chief for one year each; a Moderator for two years; one Selectman for three years, one Library Trustee, one Trustee of the Trust Funds, one Cemetery Trustee, one member of the Planning Board, two members of the Parks & Recreation Commission and one member of the Board of Assessors for three years; and one Supervisor of the Checklist for six years; and any other Town Officers; and to vote on the referendum items appearing on the ballot.

ARTICLE 2. To hear reports of any and all officers, committees and agents of the Town and to take any action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for a program for the purpose of improving and maintaining Faxon Hill Road, so-called. (Petition Article).

ARTICLE 4. To see what action the town will take to direct the Board of Selectmen to develop a comprehensive master plan for the reconstruction of all Town roads and bring this plan to the Town Meeting in the form of a Warrant Article at the next year's Town Meeting (1991) for approval. (Petition Article).

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Sixteen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$16,500.00) to buy a five-acre lot with 200' frontage on Rte. 31 south of the existing dump. Lot is to be used for the future construction of the new highway garage. The purchase price does not include surveying costs, fees, etc., associated with the subdivision of the lot of land. (Petition Article).

ARTICLE 6. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation of the Fire Department for the ensuing year. (Petition Article).

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and

appropriate and transfer to the Capital Reserve Fund established at the 1989 Town Meeting under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purchase of a Fire Truck for the Washington Fire Department. (Thirty Thousand Dollars to be placed in this fund for 1990). (Petition Article, Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 8. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for special Fire Department projects for the ensuing year, or take any other action relating thereto. (Fire Ponds maintenance and reconstruction, purchase of protective clothing and purchase of fire hose and fittings. (Petition Article).

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to designate and proclaim April 22, 1990 as "EARTH DAY, 1990." (Petition Article).

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Twenty-four Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$24,500.00) for the completion of the reevaluation and the general responsibilities of the Assessors. (Petition Article).

ARTICLE 11. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for Forest Fire Control for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand Dollars (15,000.00) for the Town's share of the reconstruction of Valley Road in accordance with Court Order dated January 4, 1989 signed by Charles Contas, Justice, Cheshire County Superior Court in the matter of Anatolij Ursini v. Towns of Washington and Stoddard.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into an agreement with the Washington School District for the purpose of developing and maintaining a school on the Camp Morgan property upon terms and conditions agreeable to both parties or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to acquire from the Washington School District upon terms and conditions as determined by the Selectmen the existing facility located on Town property on the Town Common or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Conservation Commission under the provisions of RSA 36-A for the preservation of the natural resources of the Town. (Majority vote required)

ARTICLE 16. To see what sum of money the Town will raise and appropriate for the restoration or removal of the "Wigwam" building at Camp Morgan.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Parks and Recreation Commission to dispose of surplus property on Camp Morgan grounds.

ARTICLE 18. To see what sum of money the town will raise and appropriate for the proper disposal of underground hazards, such as, but not limited to, septic tanks, wells, fuel tanks, underground storage tanks, located on the Camp Morgan property.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$32,200.00) for the Parks & Recreation Commission for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Fourteen Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars (14,575.00) for Major Repairs at Camp Morgan for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for the Tax Collector to attend a 5-day certification program.

ARTICLE 22. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the improvement and replacement of the Emergency Communication System for Fire and Police Departments.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of Thirteen Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$13,930.00) for Emergency Communications with a breakdown as follows:

Radio Loop	\$2,070.00
Pager, Radio Repairs and/or replacement	3,500.00
Emergency Lights (Camp Morgan)	660.00
Dispatching Services	3,000.00
Maintenance of Fire Alarm (2 systems)	1,200.00
E.O.C. (Matching Funds Available)	3,000.00
Unexpected Outlays	500.00
	\$13,930.00

ARTICLE 24. To see if the town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of R.S.A. 35:1 for the sole purpose of providing matching funds for recycling structures or equipment and to raise and appropriate Fifteen Thousand Dollars (15,000.00) to be placed in the fund. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to establish or amend fees, as provided in RSA 41:9-a, for the issuance of any license or permit or to defray the expenses of any regulatory program which has been established by vote of the Town.

ARTICLE 26. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Shedd Free Library for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Highway Advisory Council to provide general oversight and assistance to the Highway Department; said Council to be appointed by the Selectmen in consultation with the Road Agent.

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to grant to the Selectmen the authority to impose reasonable limits on overtime hours for the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 29. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the operation of the Highway Department for the ensuing year and take any action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Block Grant Highway Funds anticipated during 1990 for use of the Highway Department for construction or reconstruction projects in addition to the regular maintenance budget.

ARTICLE 31. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for special road projects during the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) and withdraw Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) from the Loader Capital Reserve Fund previously established and appropriate the total of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (15,000.00) for the purpose of leasing/purchasing a loader during the ensuing year. (Majority vote required).

ARTICLE 33. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of a one-ton dump truck with rake, plow and accessories for the use of the Highway Department, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 34. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of a street sweeping broom for the use of the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 35. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of a tow-behind rake for the use of the Highway Department.

ARTICLE 36. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Highway Agent in accordance with the provisions of RSA 231:62.

ARTICLE 37. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for "Health & Welfare" for the ensuing year.

Lake Sunapee Home Hlth Care, Inc.	\$1,474.00	
Washington Rescue Squad		500.00
Hillsboro Rescue Squad		500.00
Marlow Rescue Squad		100.00
Community Youth Advocates		2,500.00
Sullivan County Hospice		250.00
General Health & Welfare		1,500.00
Old Age Assistance		15.00
		\$6,839.00

ARTICLE 38. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Police Department for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 39. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate Eighty-Nine Thousand Dollars (89,000.00) for the operation of the Solid Waste Recycling Center for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 40. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to remove the kitchen from the public meeting room in the Town Hall and to improve the kitchen facilities in the east porch; or to take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 41. To see what sum of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate to defray "Town Charges" for the ensuing year.

Town Officers' Salaries	\$41,950.00
Town Officers' Expenses	49,102.00
Election & Registration	2,000.00
Cemeteries	8,000.00
General Govt. Buildings	32,650.00
Planning & Zoning	5,500.00
Legal Expenses	5,000.00
Regional Associations	1,122.00
Contingency Fund	2,500.00
Streetlights	1,950.00

× Patriotic Purposes	400.00
Interest: Long-Term	17,606.50
Interest: Temporary	4,000.00
Principal: Long-Term	40,000.00
Social Security	17,500.00
Insurance	35,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	810.00
	265,090.50

ARTICLE 42. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes.

ARTICLE 43. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell any or all property obtained by Tax Deed, except those parcels of 10 acres or more and tracts contiguous to town lands.

ARTICLE 44. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for, accept or expend, on behalf of the Town, any and all grants, or other funds available for Town purposes including, but not limited to, disaster aid and Highway funds, which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government, the State of New Hampshire, or any Federal, State or private agency or individual or take any other action relating thereto.

ARTICLE 45. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals this day of _____, in the year of our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety.

RICHARD E. GRIFFITH
RONALD E. ROY
RONALD JAGER

Selectmen of Washington, N.H.

A True Copy--Attest:

RICHARD E. GRIFFITH
RONALD E. ROY
RONALD JAGER

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON
Appropriations and Estimates of Revenues for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1990 to December 31, 1990

Purposes of Appropriation	Appropriations 1989	Actual Expenditures 1989	Appropriations Ensuing Fiscal Year 1990
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			
Town Officers' Salary	\$ 16,450.00	\$ 19,304.74	\$ 41,950.00
Town Officers' Expenses	42,000.00	47,170.71	49,120.00
Election and Registration Expenses	2,000.00	1,261.24	2,000.00
Cemeteries	9,000.00	9,000.00	8,000.00
General Government Buildings	32,575.00	25,451.96	32,650.00
Reappraisal of Property	46,670.00	41,823.37	0.00
Planning and Zoning	2,500.00	3,471.78	5,500.00
Legal Expenses	10,000.00	4,369.45	5,000.00
Advertising and Regional Association	1,192.00	1,047.00	1,122.00
Contingency Fund	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
Tax Collectors School			500.00
PUBLIC SAFETY			
Police Department	30,000.00	20,733.94	30,278.00
Fire Department	15,450.00	15,749.71	11,500.00
Civil Defense	1.00	0.00	3,000.00
Forest Fire Control	400.00	1,123.06	500.00
Emergency Communications	8,500.00	7,360.85	13,390.00
Fire Alarms Town Buildings	2,500.00	0.00	
Fire Department Special Projects	6,018.00	6,687.79	8,500.00
HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES			
General Highway Dept. Expenses	190,434.00	196,728.89	172,000.00
Street Lighting	1,800.00	1,820.45	1,950.00
Block Grant Funds	21,103.03	22,998.62	28,643.04
Special Road Projects	40,732.34	70,208.60	40,000.00
SANITATION			
Solid Waste Disposal	90,169.00	91,041.21	89,000.00
HEALTH			
Lake Sunapee Home Health Care	1,307.50	1,307.50	1,474.00
Washington Rescue Squad	2,500.00	2,500.00	500.00
Hillsboro Rescue Squad	500.00	500.00	500.00
Marlow Rescue Squad	100.00	100.00	100.00
Community Youth Advocates	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
Sullivan County Hospice	250.00	250.00	250.00
WELFARE			
General Assistance	25.00	4,764.87	1,500.00
Old Age Assistance	15.00	0.00	15.00

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Library	10,000.00	10,667.69	12,000.00
Parks and Recreation	20,900.00	21,370.48	32,200.00
Patriotic Purposes	400.00	100.00	400.00
Old Home Day	2,500.00	2,292.95	0.00
Town Commemoration Booklet	3,500.00	7,017.00	0.00

DEBT SERVICE

Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	35,000.00	30,000.00	40,000.00
Interest Expense —			
Long-Term Bonds & Notes	11,750.00	10,926.83	17,606.50
Tax Anticipation Notes	4,000.00	52,561.25	4,000.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Major Repairs Camp Morgan	11,000.00	10,256.54	14,575.00
Valley Road Art. 3 & 4	135,000.00	135,981.25	15,000.00
Computer System	25,000.00	26,472.50	0.00
Valley Road Carryover		22,471.92	
Fuel & Tanks	20,000.00	19,476.91	15,000.00

PAYMENTS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS

Loader	5,000.00	5,000.00	10,000.00
Fire Truck	30,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

FICA, Retire. & Pension Contrib.	18,814.00	15,842.75	17,500.00
Insurance	40,900.00	31,918.74	35,000.00
Unemployment Compensation	550.00	745.20	810.00

TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$953,505.87	\$1,031,377.75	\$798,573.54
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Less: Estimated Revenues			\$199,822.46
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Amount of Taxes to be Raised (Exclusive of School and County Taxes)			\$598,751.08
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Sources of Revenue	Estimated Revenue 1989	Actual Revenue 1989	Estimated Revenue 1990
TAXES			
Resident Taxes	\$	\$ 160.00	
Betterment Tax		2,998.05	23,480.00
Yield Taxes	3,500.00	17,114.93	8,969.00
Interest and Penalties on Taxes	5,000.00	3,786.55	5,000.00
Inventory Penalties	700.00	1,255.00	1,000.00
Land Use Change Tax	2,500.00	25,375.21	2,500.00
Boat Tax	900.00	2,118.74	2,000.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES—STATE			
Shared Revenue—Block Grant	5,000.00	13,564.19	
Highway Block Grant	21,103.03	29,938.36	28,643.04
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	3,443.00	5,431.48	
LICENSES AND PERMITS			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees & Municipal Agent Fees	57,000.00	62,816.50	62,000.00
Dog Licenses	480.00	600.00	600.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	2,500.00	2,622.50	2,500.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
Income From Departments	2,500.00	17,177.43	15,000.00
Rent of Town Property	500.00	2,083.52	2,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
Interests on Deposits	20,000.00	43,480.79	20,000.00
Sale of Town Property	2,500.00	2,762.65	2,500.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Proceeds of Bonds and Long-Term Notes	125,000.00	125,000.00	
Fund Balance	61,697.00		23,631.42
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$314,323.03	\$346,078.20	\$199,822.46

WASHINGTON TOWN MEETING, MARCH 14, 1989

The meeting opened at 9:00 a.m. with Moderator G. Michael Otterson. The polls were opened from 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. with the absentee ballots cast at 6:50 p.m. Robert Crane II, assistant Moderator; Janice Philbrick, assistant Town Clerk; Pearl Devlin, and Madeleine Williams as Ballot Clerks. The voting took place in the Town Hall with 191 votes cast.

Moderator Otterson announced to the Town that our Selectman, Martin Fallon, had given his resignation and under the RSA's the Selectmen will be appointing someone to fulfill his term.

Robert Crane moved that the Moderator dispense with the reading of the Warrant Articles 2-36. Richard Griffith 2nd. Voice Vote motion carried.

The Moderator then laid down some ground rules on how he would conduct the meeting:

1. all motions and amendments will be in writing;
2. he would not entertain the reconsideration of an article already worked on;
3. only two amendments per article;
4. the speaker will address through the Moderator and only one speaker at a time.

Article 1. The following officers were elected:

SELECTMAN for three years; Julia Dunton 19 votes and Ronald E. Roy 133 votes and declared elected.

TOWN CLERK for one year: Vicki L. Crane 188 votes and declared elected.

TOWN TREASURER for one year: Karin F. T. Fox 178 votes and declared elected.

TAX COLLECTOR for one year: Janice F. Philbrick 181 votes and declared elected.

HIGHWAY AGENT for one year: Lloyd Sargent 22 votes, Kenneth Fletcher 158 votes and declared elected.

FIRE CHIEF for one year: Charles Dalphond 5 votes, David Hunt 31 votes and Robert J. Wright 136 votes and declared elected.

CEMETERY TRUSTEE for two years: Ethel Crane 16 votes and declared elected.

CEMETERY TRUSTEE for three years: Barbara Gaskell 178 votes and declared elected.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE for one year: Virginia McKinnon 175 votes and declared elected.

LIBRARY TRUSTEE for three years: Martha Hamill 172 votes and declared elected.

TRUSTEE of the TRUST FUND for three years: Pearl Devlin 177 votes and declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD for three years: Beth Gallagher 37 votes Timothy Wolfe

135 votes and declared elected.

PLANNING BOARD for three years: Robert Hamill 174 votes and declared elected.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION for 3 years: Lynn Cook 174 votes and declared elected.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION for 3 years: Jill Crane 2 votes and declared elected.

BOARD OF ASSESSORS for three years: Natalie Jurson 5 votes, Beth Gallagher 148 votes and declared elected.

The referendum item: "Shall we adopt RSA 654:34-a permitting applications for changes in party affiliation to be made with the Town Clerk?" - No-31/Yes-140 and was adopted.

Selectman Griffith moved to take up Article 3 before Article 2. Ronald Roy 2nd. Voice vote, motion carried.

ARTICLE 3: Selectman Griffith moved that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$125,000.00 for the reconstruction of that part of the Valley Road from an existing Class V highway to the Stoddard Town line, such sum to be raised in compliance with the Municipal Finance Act, RSA 22 as amended; to authorize the Selectmen to invest said monies and use the earnings thereon for said project. Ronald Roy 2nd.

Selectman Griffith reviewed the action taken at our Special Town Meeting November 15, 1988, where we voted to accept the Valley Road Committee's recommendations. The court in turn accepted the recommendations and changed our court order accordingly.

Robert Wright stated that he supported the article but does not want the Highway Department doing the work, feeling it would involve much bookkeeping, separating these monies from their department budget and also keep them from working on our other roads. He therefore offered the following amendment, "that all work paid for by this article be paid to independent contractors who carry proper insurance." Mr. McKinnon 2nd.

Selectman Griffith agreed with the intent of the amendment, and felt the Selectmen would be irresponsible to allow the Highway Department to become involved with this project, but questioned the legality of amending a court order. He hoped all would support the article as submitted.

Robert Crane spoke against the amendment, feeling it was more expensive hiring out contractors therefore our money would not go as far and limits the Highway Department in helping out on the project.

Ronald Jager asked for a Point of Order: Was the amendment even in order?

Moderator Otterson ruled that because the article reads, "and to take any other action in relation thereto" he will accept the amendment.

James Gaskell asked if the amendment could be brought up under the Highway Department article. The Moderator said not this amendment, but one concerning the same issue could.

VOICE VOTE on Mr. Wright's amendment FAILED.

VOTE on the original motion was by PAPER BALLOT with polls open for one hour.

TOTAL BALLOTS CAST--112 (NEEDED TO PASS 75) YES-103 NO-9 MOTION CARRIED.

While the polls were open an hour for article 3, articles 2, 4, 5, 6 and 7 were acted upon.

ARTICLE 2: Selectman Griffith moved to hear reports of any and all officers and agents of the Town with the necessary changes as follows:

Page 7: total at the bottom of page reads \$6947.50 should read \$7197.50

Page 9: Lake Sunapee Home Health Care 3rd column reads \$1307.60 should be changed to \$1307.50.

Page 77: Marriages, Buckmaster, R. Smott and Tallman, Lose Jane should read: Buckmaster, R. Scott and Tallman, Lisa Jane.

Robert Crane asked, referring to the Forest Fire report on page 66, why the forest fires he recalled the men going to were not listed? Charles Dalphond, Forest Fire Warden, answered yes, Washington did have some forest fires this past year, but because the State was late in getting the report in to him he did not get a chance to change it.

Sybil Blakney pointed out on page 13 her son's name is spelled "Stephen" not Steven.

Selectman Griffith noted that there were a number of typos throughout the report but would not read through them.

VOICE VOTE, motion carried.

ARTICLE 4: Selectman Griffith moved, "the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of 10,000.00 for the Town's 1989 share for the reconstruction of the Valley Road from an existing class V highway to the Stoddard Town line." Ronald Roy 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 5: Selectman Griffith moved, "the Town vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 72:1c which authorizes any town or city to elect not to assess, levy and collect a resident tax." Janice Philbrick 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 6: Robert Wright moved, that the Town vote to approve the plan of the Washington Fire Department to adopt the provisions of NFPA-1500 program, and in doing so would change our liability coverage. Wright explained that the program is a way to upgrade the department with equipment and training that is up-to-date and in compliance with the National Fire Protection Act. As there is much updating to do he is asking that we do so over a period of 20 years. By setting a deadline date we are providing our insurance company with proof of our intent, further reducing our liability.

David Hunt 2nd.

Miss E. Sawyer asked how much money would be involved over the next 20 years.

Mr. Wright said he could not give a definite amount. In article 17 he would be asking that money be put into a Capital Reserve Fund for a new fire

truck. The truck is one of the items involved with the updating. Mr. Wright also stated that he had a 17 page document of all that needed to be complied with.

Natalie Jurson asked what insurance coverage the firemen had when responding in their own vehicles?

Mr. Wright said that the firemen had to carry their own coverage.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 7: Selectman Griffith moved, "the Town vote to extend the mandatory recycling program at the Washington Recycling Center and adopt an Ordinance Governing the Disposal of Solid Waste and Recyclable Materials," James Hofford 2nd.

Selectman Griffith explained that we started on this program last year and hoped to continue so in the future. He told of the Solid Waste Committee who had worked hard in getting out questionnaires to get the people's view on the subject of recycling. The Committee consists of: James Hofford, Robert Hamill, and Steve Dube, who is also our dump attendant.

James Hofford thanked everyone for answering their questionnaires and has found that 90% of the people are in favor of some form of recycling.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

Selectman Griffith moved to take up article 9 before article 8. James Hofford 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 9: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for a new Highway Garage and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 to be placed in this fund." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Robert Crane stated that in the past the Capital Reserve articles were at the end of the warrant and had wanted to make a motion to move this to there.

The moderator said that the motion for article 9 was already on the floor and could not be moved to the end of the warrant.

PAPER BALLOT: total cast 112.

YES-52; NO-60.

ARTICLE stands DEFEATED.

ARTICLE 8: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000.00 to establish a computer system for the Town." Beth Gallagher 2nd.

Beth Gallagher explained that after thorough investigation by the computer committee, they agreed to go with Business Data Solution out of Deerfield to purchase a computer for the Town. She then introduced Brian Fortin of Business Data Solutions. Mr. Fortin then answered many questions about the computer. Such as, the hardware is from Unisys, that there will be three work stations, they will train us in using the computer, they have 11 other Towns in N.H., and have never lost a governmental account.

Fred G. Otterson was concerned about buying a computer that would become obsolete in a few years.

Beth explained that in buying this system we would also be paying a

maintenance fee which would keep the computer up-to-date. This maintenance fee being less per year then what we pay our computer service for now.

Hans Eccard moved that the article be dismissed. Wendell Ashley 2nd.

Mrs. McKinnon spoke in favor of the computer. At an office in the Lake Ashuelot Estates Association she uses a computer to keep records and accounts and says they are a better organization for it.

VOICE VOTE on Mr. Eccard's motion to dismiss FAILED.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion CARRIED.

James Hofford moved that we break one hour for lunch. Natalie Jurson 2nd. 12:10 p.m.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED. At 1:10 p.m. Moderator G. Michael Otterson called the meeting back to order.

ARTICLE 10: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35.1 for the purchase of a loader and to raise and appropriate \$5,000.00 to be placed in this fund." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Kenneth Fletcher explained that the old loader has had many repairs and replacements in the last few years and would hope the Town would start to put some money away now toward a new loader.

Richard Gallagher moved, "to dismiss the article." Alan Goodspeed 2nd.

VOICE VOTE to dismiss FAILED.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 11: Robert Wright moved, "to see if the Town will vote to establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purchase of a Fire Truck, and to raise and appropriate \$30,000.00 to be placed in this fund." Selectman Griffith 2nd.

Mr. Wright explained that their current Mack fire truck is 42 years old -- the Town having acquired it from the City of Concord 21 years ago after they had retired it. New laws prohibit firemen from riding on the back of it. The water storage tank has rotted out and after inquiring to have it repaired he was turned down because of the age of the vehicle. Miss Sawyer asked why we did not buy a new truck now with borrowed money and escape the inflated cost of a newer one three or four years from now.

Mr. Wright explained that the truck they would like to replace the Mack with is not yet available.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 12: Dismissed.

ARTICLE 13: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$40,732.34 from surplus to defray the expenses of the Highway Department for Special Road Projects." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Robert Crane explained that this past year the Selectmen asked him to help in closing the books on the flood repairs; from a couple years ago. After reviewing the books and compiling the figures he was able to get a refund from the State as part of a matching fund from disaster aid. This \$40,732.34 reflects this reimbursement.

Lynda Roy explained that the money is now in surplus and must be appropriated to be used toward something or else it will be left in the general fund.

Robert Wright moved, "that the article be dismissed." Donald Wickens 2nd.

Mr. Wright felt that because the money was in surplus then it must be raised as well as appropriated. He also would rather see this covered under the Highway Department article.

PAPER BALLOT on Mr. Wright's motion to dismiss FAILED.

Selectman Griffith commended Robert Crane on his efforts in getting this reimbursement for the Town. Mr. Crane received a round of applause.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 14: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$133,165.00 for Highway Streets and Bridges and Street Light." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Kenneth Fletcher spoke on proposed projects for the Highway Department this year and they included: cutting and chipping roadsides, replacing culverts, fixing bridges, fixing garage doors and ceiling insulation, and repairing and resurfacing the East Washington Road starting at Route #31.

Richard Gallagher asked how much of their money had been spent since January 1 of this year, and was answered that \$20,000.00 had been deposited into the payroll account and \$26,000.00 had been spent by the Highway Department.

Robert Crane felt that there was not enough money for a 4-man crew if they were not going to be able to work on the Valley Road reconstruction and use some of the money raised and appropriated for that.

Mr. Galagher also asked if the Highway Advisory Committee would be continued. Selectman Griffith responded that the committee had served very well and hoped they would continue.

Lynda Roy felt that there was not enough money in the proposed motion and moved to amend the article to read: "Amend to raise and appropriate \$218,165.00 for Highways, Streets, and Bridges for the ensuing year." Richard Gallagher 2nd.

After MUCH argument over the proposed figures the Moderator ruled a 10 minute recess and asked the Highway Advisory Committee, the Bookkeeper and their Highway Superintendent to please retire and come back with a figure they all agreed upon.

After a 10 minute break the Moderator called the meeting back to order.

David Hunt showed figures on how much the Highway Department had spent per year since 1985. These figures included the Block Grant money received from the State. He then showed a figure of \$192,234.00 as how much they proposed the Highway Department would need for this year.

Ronald Jager then moved to amend Mrs. Roy's amendment to \$192,234.00. Richard Griffith 2nd.

David Hunt commended Ken Fletcher on the work he had performed

since becoming the Highway Superintendent, and he received a round of applause.

VOICE VOTE on Mr. Jager's amendment CARRIED. This brought us to Mrs. Roy's amendment, now amended.

VOICE VOTE on Mrs. Roy's amended amendment CARRIED. Now this brings us back to the original motion as amended.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion as amended CARRIED.

ARTICLE 15: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to appropriate the Block Grant Highway Funds anticipated at \$21,103.03 during 1989 for use of the Highway Department reconstruction or reconstruction projects in addition to the regular maintenance budget." Ronald Roy 2nd.

VOICE VOTE motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 16: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000.00 for fuel to service the Fire, Highway, and Police departments, and to close out the operation of the existing fuel storage system and purchase tanks and equipment to dispense fuel, in order to comply with RSA 146-c and Administrative Rule WS-411 -- \$15,000.00 to go toward fuel and \$5,000.00 to go toward tank removal and replacements." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Kenneth Fletcher received word from the State that our present underground tanks are out-of-date for being tested by 4 years. It is more economical for the Town to pull up the old tanks and replace them with 2 1000-gallon skid tanks which would be placed in a controlled area.

James Gaskell thought the cost of removal was low but did agree that to have skid tanks was the way to go.

Robert Crane II moved to amend the article to, "cut the amount by \$15,000.00 Richard Gallagher 2nd.

PAPER BALLOT on Mr. Crane's amendment FAILED.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 17: Dismissed.

ARTICLE 18: Dismissed.

ARTICLE 19: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to use the Grange Room in the Town Hall for Town Offices." Diane Drew 2nd.

VOICE VOTE motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 20. Robert Crane moved, "that the Town lease to the Washington Youth Association the same parcel of land that was previously leased for a period of 5 years at a price of \$1.00." Philip Barker 2nd.

VOICE VOTE motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 21: Dismissed.

ARTICLE 22: Dismissed.

ARTICLE 23: Selectman Griffith moved, "to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to accept private donations of land, interest in land or money for the purpose of contributing up to One Hundred Thousand Dollars to the local matching portion required for acquiring conservation land or interest in land and other costs associated therewith for permanent

conservation use under the N. H. Land Conservation Investment Program (LCIP) RSA 221-a, and authorize the Selectmen to apply for and accept the State matching funds under the LCIP in an amount up to \$100,000.00 for the purposes of acquisition of the fee or lesser interests in conservation land. This appropriation is contingent upon the receipt of State funds and private donations exclusively." Philip Barker 2nd.

Mr. Griffith explained that the Selectmen were approached by a woman who wishes to contribute her land but wanted a Conservation Easement. After further investigation they found this proposal and thought it was a good idea.

Robert Crane spoke against the motion, feeling that it left things open for fraud, he then moved to dismiss the article. Richard Gallagher 2nd.

Richard Gallagher felt that if the Town were to take these lands it would take them off the tax roll and the taxpayers would have to make up the difference.

Mr. Griffith explained that the type of land the Town might acquire would be land that was presently in current use and that it would not effect our taxes.

There was a question referring to the RSA so the Moderator read RSA 221-a.

VOICE VOTE on Mr. Crane's motion to dismiss FAILED.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 24: Robert Crane moved the article as written. Beth Gallagher 2nd.

The article read: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 72:43f for the adjusted elderly exemptions from property tax? These statutes provide for the following exemptions, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$10,000.00; for a person 75 years of age up to 80. \$15,000.00; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$20,000.00. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 5 years; own the real estate individually or jointly, or if assets are of \$30,000.00 or less, excluding the value of the person's residence.

PAPER BALLOT VOTE:

TOTAL CAST-78

YES-74

NO-4

MOTION CARRIED.

ARTICLE 25: Robert Crane moved the article as written. Beth Gallagher 2nd.

The article reads: Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 7:37 for the exemption for the blind from property tax? This statute provides that every inhabitant who is legally blind shall be exempt each year from the property tax on a residence to the value of \$15,000.00

PAPER BALLOT VOTE

TOTAL CAST 25

YES-24

NO-1

MOTION CARRIED.

ARTICLE 26: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$90,169.00 for the operation of the Town Solid Waste and Recycling Center and completing plans for closure of the dump pursuant to State regulations." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Selectman Griffith explained that the money would be used to pay the dump attendant's contract, the pickup cost of household trash on the Marlow side of Ashuelot, also the Transfer fees paid to have our trash hauled away; but most of the money would go toward closing of the dump.

James Hofford wanted to know if Mr. Griffith knew when the engineers felt the dump would be ready to close. Mr. Griffith felt that the actual closing of the dump would not be done this year.

James Gaskell asked if there were monitoring wells at the dump now.

Selectman Griffith answered yes, monitoring wells were drilled in November and all results are good so far except for one well which shows some petroleum.

Robert Crane believed that the well that showed the petroleum is the well that was drilled where Route #31 was once located.

VOICE VOTE motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 27: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$81,875.00 for Public Safety for the ensuing year." Ronald Roy 2nd.

(On the Warrant was a breakdown of the proposed budget of the departments involved with this article).

Selectman Griffith turned questions over to Police Chief, Paul Braley.

Mr. Braley explained that this year he had increased his budget in the hopes of getting more help. At this time he is the only officer in the Town. He asked if there were any residents who were interested in becoming a part-time officer to please let him know.

Mr. Braley explained that he knew the people did not feel they were getting enough police protection but that if he did not have the funds he could not improve over last year.

There was discussion over last year's police expenses and the Moderator read them to the people.

Fred G. Otterson moved an amendment to "amend the police budget to \$13,000.00." Natalie Jurson 2nd.

Ralph Otterson asked why were we buying more fire alarms?

Mr. Griffith explained that this is as per the fire Marshal. Now that the school children are using Camp Morgan for gym classes, an alarm was needed.

Richard Gallagher asked why only \$1.00 was budgeted for Civil Defense. Lynda Roy explained that this was to keep the account open.

Robert Wright stated that he thought the way things were set up in this article that the Civil Defense would not be able to apply for matching funds.

Lynda Roy asked if there was a way to change it so we could Mr. Wright answered that he did not believe so.

Ralph Otterson offered an amendment to Fred G. Otterson's amendment. It read, "moved to amend the total article to \$50,549.00, cutting the police budget to \$17,680.00 which was last years expenditure." Diane Drew 2nd.

Julia Dunton asked for a point of order concerning the fact that at the beginning of the meeting the Moderator ruled that he would only accept two amendments.

Moderator Otterson answered that those were his rules but that this was our meeting.

PAPER BALLOT on Mr. R. Otterson's amendment.

TOTAL CAST 70

YES- 27

NO-43

Mr. R. Otterson's amendment FAILED.

VOICE VOTE on Mr. F. Otterson's amendment FAILED.

Moderator ruled to suspend his rule of two amendments to three amendments.

VOICE VOTE on the Moderator's ruling CARRIED.

Stephen Gallagher moved, "to reduce the police budget to \$30,000.00, this being \$19,006.00 less then originally asked for, bringing the bottom line down to \$62,869.00."

Richard Gallagher 2nd.

VOICE VOTE on Mr. Gallagher's amendment CARRIED.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion as amended CARRIED.

ARTICLE 28: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$240,901.00 to defray Town Charges for the ensuing year." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Robert Wright asked why change in the salaries? Mr. Griffith replied because raises were given to the elected officers.

Robert Wright also asked why so much money was under legal fees? Mr. Griffith explained that they still expected expenses with the Valley Road and plus they added for unforeseen expenses.

Fred W. Otterson asked what the Reappraisal amount broke down to. Beth Gallagher and the Moderator read a breakdown of this proposal.

The insurance was also broken down to show that it included Worker's Comp.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 29: Philip Barker moved, "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$37,300.00 for Culture and Recreation for the ensuing year." Selectman Griffith 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion carried.

ARTICLE 30: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$35,000.00 for payments due in 1989 on Long Term Notes." Ronald Roy 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 31: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,500.00 for major repairs at Camp Morgan." Ronald Roy 2nd.

Mr. Griffith explained how the money would be spent, repairing the tennis courts, meeting fire code regulations, and correcting a drainage problem.

Ralph Otterson thought we had voted in a previous article to put in the fire alarm. Mr. Griffith explained that the money being asked for here was for bringing the lodge building up to fire protection standards, such as putting breaking bars on all the doors and replacing the basement doors with safe fire exits.

Fred W. Otterson moved to amend the article to \$11,000.00, cutting the \$8,500.00 proposed toward the tennis court. Larry Gaskell 2nd.

VOICE VOTE on Mr. Otterson's motion CARRIED.

VOICE VOTE on the original motion as amended CARRIED.

ARTICLE 32: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the Town vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,197.50 for 'Health and Welfare' for the ensuing year." Lynda Roy 2nd.

VOICE VOTE motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 33: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the town vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow in anticipation of taxes." Ronald Roy 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 34: Selectman Griffith moved, "that the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell any or all property obtained by Tax Deed in 1988/89, except those parcels 10 acres or more and tracts contiguous to Town land." Ronald Roy 2nd.

VOICE VOTE motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 35: Philip Barker moved, "to see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to apply for, contract for, accept or expend, on behalf of the Town any and all grants or other funds available for Town purposes including, but not limiting to, disaster aids and Highway funds, which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government, the State of New Hampshire, or any Federal, State or private agency or individual or take any other action relating thereto." Miriam O'Keefe 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED.

ARTICLE 36: Richard Gallagher moved, "to adopt the procedure within the warrant, that all entity's budgets be listed under separate articles." Robert Wright 2nd.

Larry Gaskell strongly suggested that articles being submitted be put under separate articles in the warrant.

Miriam Koch praised the Moderator's patience. The Moderator received a round of applause.

Diane Drew spoke for the Rescue Squad in appreciation of the donation toward them and then moved to adjourn the meeting. Philip Barker 2nd.

VOICE VOTE, motion CARRIED. 9:00 p.m.

Sincerely yours,
VICKI L. CRANE
Town Clerk

A True Copy, Attested

Vicki L. Crane
Town Clerk

REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

THE STATE OF THE TOWN

The town of Washington is in good shape. While there is some bad news (which is normal), there is a lot of good news too.

Here is the bad news: Communication in town is not good -- no reputable newspaper has general circulation and so information spreads by rumor and grapevine, and sometimes even by calculated misinformation. This Board has not solved the serious communication problem; but this report is itself a sincere effort in that direction. Another bad thing is that in recent years the town has been short of candidates for Selectman -- suggesting that the job does not appear easy or desirable. This Board did not solve that problem either. More bad news for the year: It rained on the Old Home Day party; closing the landfill will be costly; welfare cases have increased; the fire pond behind the Town Hall failed again; the highway budget is scary; property taxes are high and going higher. On the whole the bad news is . . . well, bad not terrible -- which is the beginning of the good news.

There is much good news: the property re-evaluation is nearly completed, done by town-based talent; there are no lawsuits against the town; the major Valley Road work was completed ahead of schedule (see Valley Road Report); the police budget had a surplus; the town has a new book on its historic Meetinghouse/Town Hall, **A Sacred Deposit**; town legal expenses are down; more committees of volunteers than ever before are pitching in to help run the town; the Planning Board is reworking the town Masterplan and monitors development with increased vigilance; again, there were no major fires in town; interest in town government is high; the Town Hall celebrated its first two hundred years with many special effects -- a magnificent historical exhibit, high spirits, a book, a parade, fireworks, thunder, lightning, water; recycling is working; and approximately 98.4% of the citizens really do appreciate the hard work of the Selectmen and other Boards, even if they don't say so and do reserve the right to disagree on particular points -- up from the seasonal low last September of 98.2%. (Estimates) All in all, not a bad year.

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Selectman Martin Fallon resigned in February 1989, and in March Ronald Jager agreed to serve as appointed Selectman until the next election. Throughout the spring, summer, and fall we met every week on Thursday evening. We tried to keep the meetings as routine and dull as possible, but excitement kept breaking in. Most of the work, however, necessarily goes on outside the formal meetings. The main spring and summer job was the work on Valley Road; a report on it appears elsewhere.

COMMITTEES AND VOLUNTEERS

Supporting the work of volunteers --committees and individuals -- is one of the most important jobs of the Selectmen, since it's the volunteer spirit that keeps the community going. Besides individuals it also takes a dozen or so

organized groups to make things tick. Washington has generally been fortunate. Committees keep the Selectmen's job from being impossible, and help them do it better. (Ten or fifteen years ago we got along without a Planning Board, Parks and Recreation Commission, Rescue Squad, Archives Committee, Solid Waste Committee, and so on. No more.) This year the Selectmen extended the practice, begun the previous year, of enlisting more citizens for special committee assignments. Some have been short-term advisory committees to deal with particular issues where the Selectmen needed more input. Two committees are intended to have continuing service, the Safety Council and the Meetinghouse Committee.

SAFETY COUNCIL: Formed in April, the Council was asked to address any matters of public safety in town. As the Guidelines put it:

The basic task of the five-member Council is to advise and assist the Selectmen and the Police Chief; also, where appropriate, to advise and assist the other safety departments (Fire, Rescue, Civil Defense). To achieve this the Council should concern itself with matters of planning, policy, budgeting and coordination. . . .

In the future the Council should take a more active role in the budget-planning process --as it did initially with the Police Department budget this year. Diane Drew served as the first Chairman, followed by Joe Payne, and now by Chairman pro-tem Al Roulinavage. The work of the Council has been very useful to the town as a whole and to the Selectmen; we hope this continues and grows.

MEETING HOUSE COMMITTEE. The new book on the Town Hall explains:

As a result of action by recent Boards of Selectmen, two citizen committees now monitor the Washington Meetinghouse: The Preservation Committee (1988) concerns itself with the structural integrity of the building; the Meetinghouse Committee (1989) concerns itself with the history and appearance of the building. Three members of these committees are direct descendants of the original builders. (page 105)

Both these committees have assisted the Selectmen, and their recommendations are reflected in budget or warrant proposals affecting the Town Hall's roof, upstairs, downstairs, and underpinnings. At present the Meetinghouse Committee and the Parks and Recreation Committee are considering various ideas for improving the landscaping next to the building, as well as a more permanent handicap access ramp.

THE "DUMP"

The language is changing: we now speak of "recycling," "solid waste," "landfill closure," "transfer station." All are expensive and will require close

watching.

Recycling and Solid Waste. In March 1988, after a nine-month trial period, the town adopted a mandatory recycling ordinance. On the whole, it has been successful and saves a little money in three ways: (1) returns on sale of materials; (2) cost-avoidance for transporting garbage to the incinerator; and (3) avoidance of tipping fee costs. There are major environmental and attitudinal advantages as well. Steve Dube contracted with the town to manage the recycling center and enforce the town's ordinance during 1989, and again for 1990. The Selectmen initiated several meetings with town businesses (two camp grounds, one general store) to identify special problems in complying with the Recycling Ordinance. From the beginning, the Solid Waste Committee (Hofford, Hamill, Dube) has done an outstanding job of keeping the ideals of recycling before the citizens. Recycling is now a serious business in New Hampshire, and we can be certain that better methods and markets will develop in the near future. The EPA is also planning new and stricter rules that will compel prior removal of recyclables from waste that is incinerated -- that is, compel others to do what we already do.

Despite recycling, solid waste disposal is expensive and the best we can do is to slow the increase. This year the State made available limited matching funds to help towns with recycling. Selectmen and the Solid Waste Committee immediately put together a proposal for matching funds for a baler for our recycling center. As a part of that effort the Selectmen held a public hearing on September 2, 1989, to discuss solid waste matters and other topics with the citizens. About forty people turned out on a beautiful autumn Saturday. The application was submitted, but in November we were told it was held over for later consideration -- until after the town appropriated matching funds. (New rule, made after we submitted our application.) Therefore, we recommend that the town appropriate special funds for the solid waste budget --but restrict their use to match State funds.

Landfill Closure and Transfer Station. Our transfer station is now perched upon the former garbage dump, but this situation is temporary. The town is under State order to develop a landfill closure plan -- after which a decision will be reached as to whether a more permanent transfer station can be built there. (Expected answer: Yes.) The timetables set by the state for Washington and other towns have seldom been met. This is not the fault of the town, nor is it a cause for serious concern. In New Hampshire the big IDEA of landfill closure has far outstripped the available funds, the legal guidelines and the technology. Most closed town landfills are over-budget and probably over-engineered. The Solid Waste Division of the NH Department of Environmental Resources appears to be chronically underfunded, and it has recently had major staff changes. This means that we will probably receive little technical help and no financial aid from the State.

Still, Washington is moving on track and on schedule. In June we

amended the town's contract with consulting engineer Leon Geil to provide better Selectmen's monitoring of all costs and plans concerning landfill closure. In July, as part of our closure plan, the first phase of a hydrological study was completed by a "sub"-contractor and discussed in great detail by the Selectmen with the engineers -- to try to assure that no excess work would be planned. In general, the report was favorable; there is no serious pollution from the dump, and no reason to expect any. (A part of the hydrological study was a "sub-sub"-contracted seismic survey -- which concluded that there was probably granite somewhere down there underneath the landfill!) The State now requires additional wells (estimated cost: \$17,000) to better characterize subsurface conditions. This may be done in the spring, if we can become convinced that it is necessary, and not a case of over-engineering.

We do not now know when the closure plans will be completed, approved, and the actual work scheduled. Town coffers have carry-over funds from previous years to pay for continuing expenses: wells, water tests, plans, etc. Closure cost itself is a great unknown -- estimates run in the \$50,000 to \$100,000 range and higher, and towns are being urged to make appropriations early. We disagree. We are not proposing an appropriation for closure. If the money is needed this year, which seems unlikely, that would be a worthy subject for a special town meeting and a complete airing of the entire situation -- such as we cannot possibly do at the annual town meeting. While there are so many uncertainties from the State side, the town should move very deliberately. The main disadvantage of moving slowly is that our recycling facilities, being temporary, are not as efficient as they could be.

PETITIONS

The right "to petition the government for a redress of grievances" is guaranteed by the First Amendment, and it is proper that it should be exercised in the town. This year we received petitions concerning police response, several on the condition of roads, one addressing the Faxon Hill road in particular, another (which appears on the warrant) asking for a comprehensive road improvement plan. We also received one with many signatures concerning the need to hold down property taxes, and another asking for a public informational meeting. We held that meeting on September 2, 1989. We have tried to respond thoughtfully to these and other expressions of citizen concerns. Appropriately, the Safety Council held a public meeting in October on the police matter. The town may wish to consider addressing the New Hampshire legislature about the property tax burden. With the State running a deficit again there will be a tendency to impose a still larger burden on local property taxes. If this is our grievance, the town should petition the State government for redress.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Two years ago, in the Spring of 1988 and in response to a crisis, the Board of Selectmen appointed a Highway Advisory Council (Crane, Hunt, Niven). At

the Council's recommendation Kenneth Fletcher was hired as Highway Agent, and he met regularly throughout the year with the Council. Total highway expenditures in 1988 were \$179,536. (Annual Reports 1988, page 51) At the March 1989 Town Meeting Mr. Fletcher was elected as Highway Agent and, in deference to him as an elected Agent, the Highway Council was allowed to lapse. The Selectmen endeavored to give such assistance as was possible, and such supervision as was acceptable to the Highway Department. Results were not very satisfactory. There were notable disagreements on policies, practices, expenditures, and on the use of overtime. For 1989 total highway appropriations were \$252,260 and total expenditures were \$288,927. This was an expenditure increase over the previous year of \$109,391, or nearly 61%. These numbers set some spectacular records for the town of Washington, and they are cause for serious concern.

In January 1990 the Selectmen invited a small group of advisors to consider with us the highway budget and related matters. As a consequence, we will recommend a total highway spending budget of \$200,000, presented in three articles: for Highway operations (\$132,000), from State Block Grants (\$28,000), and for Special Projects (\$40,000). These are the Selectmen's recommendations to the voters. In addition, at the urging of the Highway Agent, there are articles for leasing a loader, and for purchasing several pieces of equipment. There is also an article, supported by the Selectmen, relative to a Highway Advisory Council. We believe such a Council would ensure better planning of roadwork and better tracking of expenditures.

BUDGET

Legally, the Selectmen are responsible for presenting the warrant and the budget to the people. In Washington, budgets are first proposed to the Selectmen by various departments. In the past, the Selectmen sometimes refined them before presenting them at town meeting; but more often they took a back seat and put into the warrant whatever was proposed to them. Each method has its merits, but the people have a right to know what has gone into budget preparation and where the Selectmen stand. Thus, more and more towns are moving in the direction of formal or informal budget hearings, and we look at this as a healthy sign which should be encouraged in Washington. Ideally, perhaps, any major budget item should be twice aired in public: once at some open meeting or hearing, and once for final action at town meeting. But we are not yet to that point in Washington.

This year we tried, with limited success, to move toward more public input in the budget planning process, and we believe these efforts should be aggressively expanded in the future -- though making a change like this in Washington is something like moving a graveyard. Indeed, improved budget planning was one of our purposes in forming the Safety Council, and it is also one of the reasons for having a Highway Advisory Council.

Another budget very thoroughly studied by the Selectmen is that of the Board of Assessors. Our understanding is that the property re-evaluation as of

January 1, 1990 was about 85% completed, with two tasks remaining: (a) consolidating the information on the file cards for about half of the properties in town; (b) dealing with several dozen inquiries and abatement appeals. After much investigation of assessing practices and costs in New Hampshire, the Selectmen concluded that continued work on Washington property assessment, such as is required by law and practices in other towns, can and should be done for a fraction of the budget asked for by the Board of Assessors. Therefore we are budgeting \$15,000 for Assessors wages (under Town Charges); this includes a sum for completing the re-evaluation work. This will help to bring us into line with other towns. To give effect to that decision the Selectmen also set a first-quarter quota, a portion of that budget, for Assessors' wages for the first quarter of 1990. This action is controversial, of course, but it was not taken without much research and thought; and it is subject to the final decision of the voters at town meeting.

AGENDA FOR THE FUTURE.

There are many substantial issues before the Town and the next Board will have to decide how aggressively to pursue them. Much of the required work will derive from grappling with the twin problems of managing growth and complying with state regulations.

Examples of particular issues are: revising the Land Use Ordinance; developing a Capital Improvement Plan; regulating mobile homes; closing the landfill without busting the budget; constructing a proper transfer station; supervising the highway budget and highway work; identifying the legal right-of-ways on the Town roads; developing more consistent enforcement of the Land Use Ordinance; developing written personnel policies for the Town; cultivating working relationships with selectmen in neighboring towns concerning policing, solid waste, and road care; promulgating rules of access to the town records that will better protect them from mischief and misuse; organizing the Town's various official policies and ordinances; finding a suitable way to legalize or close the car junk yards in town. All of these and many others are issues, not crises; and none is beyond our capabilities. But the list goes on . . . and on.

At the March 1988 Town Meeting the decision was made -- in response to the motion of Robert Wright, retiring Selectman -- that the Town hire a part-time Executive Assistant to ease the burden on the Selectmen. (See pages 20-21, 1988 Reports.) Although some people argued for a full-time position, just \$10,000 was designated for that purpose. (The motion passed 45/32) But none of that money was spent for that purpose. Instead, new Board members donated long hours of extra work and saved the Town the cost of an Assistant. No funds were appropriated or spent for Executive Assistant in 1989 either, when Selectmen donated even more time, and only \$4,500 was designated for Selectmen's wages. That fund was overspent this year and a larger budget is proposed, with the idea that the next Board may wish to revive the former plan to hire some assistance. Of course, the Selectmen could simply take on less

work, spend less time.
How? Read on.

SELECTMEN OF THE FUTURE.

In Washington there are different views as to how a Board of Selectmen should regard its work.

(a) On one view the Board should be mainly "Reactive." Such a Board will pay the necessary bills, respond in a minimal way to problems as they arise, expect the staff to handle routine matters, and hope for the best. A Reactive Board tries to keep the agenda short and meetings few. That's a long and honorable tradition.

(b) Another view is that society has become so complex that the Board should be "Activist." Such a Board will try to anticipate town needs and develop plans for meeting them; appoint committees to advise the Selectmen on special issues; work actively with all other town boards, committees, and employees to improve their effectiveness; maintain regular professional contact with state agencies and the Municipal Association; be quick to defend the prerogatives of the town against state bureaucracies and other predators; be constantly in search of citizen input on plans and decisions; be in touch with other selectmen from nearby towns to face common problems and learn from each other; study new laws and regulations affecting the Town; attend seminars, workshops, and conferences to keep updated; be ever on the lookout for ways to save money and apply for outside funding; have a patient ear for citizen concerns and a soft voice to respond to them; pursue violations of town ordinances; always do a lot of homework before handing a matter over to lawyers, engineers and other expensive experts. An activist Board always has a sizeable long-range agenda. Just to look at that agenda inclines one to retreat to the Reactive view.

The chief liability of a Reactive Board is this: where there is a power vacuum other special interests will move in, and if town needs are left hanging they may become serious and expensive problems. On the other hand, there are certain liabilities of an Activist Board too: it takes an awfully lot of Selectman time; and it makes some people very nervous.

The present Board of Selectmen steered a middle-Activist course, since a majority of us are (most of the time) of that persuasion. We tackled a lot of issues, spent a lot of effort, spent a lot of money, saved a lot of money, made some people nervous, but made a lot of good progress -- and still left a long agenda for the next Board.

EXPERTS.

There is one way whereby a Board can spend less time --but it costs more money. Farm more work out to experts. Probably no exercise of fiscal judgment by the Selectmen is more important than this: when, where, and to what degree to spend money on outside experts. We must hire experts all the time --auditors, surveyors, map-makers, lawyers, engineers, etc. But most experts who work under contract with the town are paid high wages: few are

under \$30 per hour, many are much more, and some are well over a \$100, plus lots of overhead. And some of that work may not be necessary. And some of it can be done by Selectmen or others. (But sometimes, too, it's just a dumb mistake to mess around with something ourselves, instead of calling in a real pro.) So it's a judgment call. This year, perhaps more than ever, the Selectmen themselves did mountains of homework rather than farm it out at high costs. (Costs that could be easily buried in other budgets.) Such a policy depends largely upon the tastes, time, and talents of the members of the Board. Our practice helped to keep other budgets from breaking -- but not our own.

In short, if the officers of the town can manage to use outside experts wisely, in light of the town's own needs and resources, that is a tremendous asset to the town; and it is one test of any Board's competence. We think this is a matter worth calling to public attention, for the taxpayers should be alerted to expenses and savings on outside help.

COMMUNICATION

We stated earlier that communication in town is generally bad. This long report tries partly to meet that situation. Here are three more suggestions for improving communications in Washington.

(1) A large bulletin board might be installed in the Town Hall. It would post minutes of the town meeting, of all Committees and Boards, also selected important letters and memos received and sent concerning official town business. (2) A regular summer "informational town meeting" with oral reports and responses to questions by a representative from each of the Boards and Committees in town. Important especially for summer residents. (3) Once a month, instead of the regular Selectmen's meeting, a "Selectmen's Open Discussion Meeting": no set agenda, no minutes, no decisions -- just an open exchange (best limited to two hours) between town officers and the citizens. Selectmen would be present and chairmen of committees would be invited and the people would come if they had something to say or hear.

These suggestions may be considered at the town meeting under the last article.

THE LAST DECADE.

A sympathetic glance backward over the decade of the nineteen eighties should reassure anyone that -- except for the trouble spots indicated in this report -- the town is now generally well-managed, and has taken good strides on many fronts. In terms of physical appearance too, Washington has been progressive. Town buildings are all in better shape than they were ten years ago, and they have better facilities inside and out. Ten years ago dead trees and power lines still adorned the town Common and there was no parking lot or playground behind the buildings. Camp Morgan is another success story -- though we still have mortgage payments to make. The School is no longer crowded, and it no longer overflows into the Town Hall. We now have our own well-equipped, well-trained and very responsive Rescue Squad. The fire

station has been enlarged, and it is better equipped today than ever. Our town is widely praised for the physical beauty of its landscape and the distinction of its public buildings, and this is probably more deserved than ever.

The appointed term of Selectman Ronald Jager expires at the end of the Town Meeting. He did not file for election to the office. The tenure of Selectman Richard Griffith is winding down. Selectman Ronald Roy continues on the Board, with two years remaining on his term.

To that large percentage of supportive citizens introduced earlier we extend our hearty thanks; and to the small group of others whose unhappiness we could not relieve, we extend patience and goodwill.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

February 1, 1990

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY
As of December 31, 1989

DESCRIPTION	ASSESSED VALUE (Lands & Buildings)
Town Hall, Lands & Buildings	\$245,000.00
Furniture & Equipment	38,500.00
Libraries, Lands & Buildings	112,500.00
Furniture & Equipment	80,000.00
Police Department Equipment	28,000.00
Fire Department, Lands & Buildings	118,500.00
Equipment	206,000.00
Highway Department	
Lands & Buildings	64,370.00
Equipment	193,500.00
Materials & Supplies	10,500.00
Parks, Commons & Playgrounds,	
Buildings	775,910.00
Schools, Lands & Buildings	171,470.00
All Lands & Buildings acquired through Tax Collector's Deeds	
Tax Map 10 & 14.4,	
Cyrus Eaton Land	238,140.00
Tax Map 18.34, AP	75,600.00
Tax Map 18.06, AP	52,920.00
Tax Map 20.101, Bailey Rd.	4,650.00
Tax Map 14.313, LAE D-27	6,310.00
Tax Map 15.145, LAE B-19	6,090.00
Tax Map 15.125, LAE M-1	6,140.00
Tax Map 14.117, LAE K-12	16,560.00
Tax Map 14.265, LAE P-9	8,420.00
Tax Map 20.165, Bailey Rd.	3,100.00
All Other Property & Equipment	
Antenna & Building	3,000.00
Hearse	6,000.00
Cemeteries	56,250.00
TOTAL	\$2,527,430.00

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED PURPOSES OF APPROPRIATIONS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

Town officers' salaries	\$ 16,450.00
Town officers' expenses	42,000.00
Election and Registration expenses	2,000.00
Cemeteries	9,000.00
General Government Buildings	32,575.00
Reappraisal of property	46,670.00
Planning and Zoning	2,500.00
Legal Expenses	10,000.00
Advertising and Regional Association	1,192.00
Contingency Fund	2,500.00

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	30,000.00
Fire Department	15,450.00
Civil Defense	1.00
Forest Fire Control	400.00
Emergency Communications	8,500.00
Fire Alarms for Town Buildings	2,500.00
Fire Equipment/Ponds, Fences, Hydrants	6,018.00

HIGHWAYS, STREET, BRIDGES

General Highway Department Expenses	190,434.00
Street Lighting	1,800.00
Block Grant	21,103.00
Special Road Projects	40,732.00

SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal	90,169.00
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HEALTH

Lake Sunapee Home Health Care	1,308.00
Washington Rescue Squad	2,500.00
Hillsboro Rescue Squad	500.00
Marlow Rescue Squad	100.00
Community Youth Advocates	2,500.00
Sullivan County Hospice	250.00

WELFARE

General Assistance	25.00
Old Age Assistance	15.00

CULTURE AND RECREATION

Library	10,000.00
Parks and Recreation	20,900.00
Patriotic Purposes	400.00
Old Home Day	2,500.00
Town Commemoration Booklet	3,500.00

DEBT SERVICE

Principal of Long-Term Bonds & Notes	35,000.00
Interest Expense — Long-Term Bonds & Notes	10,000.00
Interest Expense — Tax Anticipation Notes	4,000.00

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Valley Road #3	125,000.00
Valley Road #4	10,000.00
Computer System	25,000.00
Fuel & Tanks	20,000.00

Major Repairs Camp Morgan	11,000.00
Loader	5,000.00
Fire Truck	30,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS	
FICA	18,814.00
Insurance	40,900.00
Unemployment Compensation	<u>550.00</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$953,506.00

SOURCES OF REVENUE

TAXES	
Betterment Tax	125,000.00
Yield Taxes	3,500.00
Interest and Penalties	5,000.00
Inventory Penalties	700.00
Land Use Change Tax	2,500.00
Boat Tax	900.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES—STATE	
Shared Revenue—Block Grant	5,000.00
Highway Block Grant	21,103.00
Reim. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	3,443.00
LICENSES AND PERMITS	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	57,000.00
Dog Licenses	480.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	2,500.00
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	
Income From Departments	2,500.00
Rent of Town Property	500.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	
Interest on Deposits	20,000.00
Sale of Town Property	2,500.00
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	
Fund Balance	<u>61,697.00</u>
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS	\$314,323.00

TAXES COMMITTED TO COLLECTOR

Town Property Taxes Assessed	\$1,257,896.00
Less Est. War Service Credits	6,000.00
Net Property Tax Commitment	\$1,251,896.00
Net School Appropriations	\$ 419,885.00
County Tax Assessment	176,705.00

AUDITOR'S REPORT ON FINANCIAL PRESENTATION

Auditor's report for the year ended December 31, 1989, is unavailable at the time of this printing. Copies for review can be obtained at a later date at the office of the Selectmen.

STATEMENT OF BONDED DEBT

Town of Washington
December 31, 1989

Maturities (Orig. Date)	Land Acquis. Camp Morgan 1989	Municipal Bond 1988	Valley Road 1989	Total
1990	\$ 10,000	\$15,000	\$ 15,000	\$ 40,000
1991	10,000	10,000	15,000	35,000
1992	15,000	10,000	15,000	40,000
1993	15,000		15,000	30,000
1994	15,000		15,000	30,000
1995	15,000		10,000	25,000
1996	15,000		10,000	25,000
1997	15,000		10,000	25,000
1998	15,000		10,000	25,000
1999	15,000		10,000	25,000
	<hr/> \$140,000	<hr/> \$35,000	<hr/> \$125,000	<hr/> \$300,000

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

1989 VALUATION

LAND

Current Use (23,051.19 acres)	\$ 1,001,906.00
Residential	37,200,305.00
Commercial	219,940.00

BUILDINGS

Manufactured Housing	39,081,354.00
Commercial	170,790.00
	790,850.00

PUBLIC UTILITIES — Electric

750,025.00

Total Valuation before Exemptions

79,215,350.00

Blind & Elderly Exemptions

290,000.00

NET VALUATION ON WHICH
TAX RATE IS COMPUTED

78,925,350.00

REVENUES RECEIVED IN LIEU OF TAXES

Pillsbury State Park

3,442.58

TAX RATE BREAKDOWN

TAX RATES	Prior Year Tax Rate /1,000	1989 Approved Tax Rate /1,000
Town	\$13.62	\$ 8.17
County	6.38	2.16
School	13.78	5.11
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	\$33.78	\$15.44

WAR SERVICE TAX CREDITS	Limit	Number	Estimated Tax Credits
Totally and permanently disabled veterans, their spouses or widows, and widows of veterans who died or were killed on active duty	\$700.00	3	\$2,100.00
Other war service credits	50.00	78	3,900.00

TAX RATE VALUATION

Local Assessed Valuation on which the tax rate(s) for your governmental units will be computed	\$81,469,976.00
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CURRENT USE REPORT

	Applicants Granted In Prior Years	New Applicants Granted for 1989	Total No. of Acres
	No. of Acres	No. of Acres	
Farm Land	495.5	8.5	503
Forest Land	14,439.25	28.4	14,467.65
Wild Land			
Unproductive	20	65	85
Productive	3,089.3		3,089.3
Natural Preserve	24.5		24.5
Recreation Land	369.5		369.5
Wet Land	621.9		621.9
Total Number of Acres Exempted under Current Use			19,160.85

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Summary of Tax Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989

DR.	1989	Levies of Prior
Uncollected Taxes — Beg. Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes		\$110,190.03
Resident Taxes		270.00
Land Use Change Tax		4,083.75
Yield Taxes		735.31
Taxes Committed to Collector:		
Property Taxes	\$125,731.03	
Land Use Change Tax	22,814.98	
Yield Taxes	18,389.89	
Sewer Rents		
Other Utilities	4,134.97	
Added Taxes:		
Resident Taxes		10.00
Overpayments:		
a/c Property Taxes	114.96	10.12
Interest Collected on Delinquent Taxes	39.22	3,770.55
Penalties Collected on Resident Taxes		16.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,299,225.05	\$119,085.76
CR.		Levies of
Remitted to Treasurer During Fiscal Year	1989	Prior
Property Taxes	\$ 902,851.81	\$110,200.15
Resident Taxes		160.00
Land Use Change Tax	21,291.46	4,083.75
Yield Taxes	17,114.93	735.31
Sewer Rents		
Other Utilities:		
Betterment (Valley Rd.)	2,998.05	
Interest on Taxes	39.22	3,770.55
Penalties on Resident Tax		16.00
Abatements Allowed:		
Property Taxes	2,376.38	
Resident Taxes		120.00
Uncollected Taxes End of Fiscal Year:		
Property Taxes	348,617.80	
Land Use Change Tax	1,523.52	
Yield Taxes	1,274.96	
Sewer Rents:		
Other Utilities:	1,136.92	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,299,225.05	\$119,085.76

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE ACCOUNTS TO OTHER PURCHASERS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989

DR.	Levies of Tax Sale Accounts to Others		
	1988	1987	Prior
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year:		\$5,554.51	\$6,596.04
Subsequent Taxes Paid:	\$635.60		
Interest Collected After Tax Sale		526.27	1,418.12
Redemption Cost:		149.00	111.00
Mtg. Costs		62.50	91.75
TOTAL DEBITS	\$635.60	\$6,292.28	\$8,216.91
CR.			
Remittances to Purchasers During Fiscal Year:			
Redemptions		\$2,806.51	\$4,150.68
Interest & Cost After Sale		737.77	1,620.87
Deeded During Year	635.60	2,748.00	2,445.36
TOTAL CREDITS	\$635.60	\$6,292.28	\$8,216.91

SUMMARY OF TAX SALE/TAX LIEN ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1989

DR.	Tax Sale/Lien on Account of Levies of	
	1988	1987
		Prior
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year:		\$11,136.20
Taxes Sold/Executed to Town During Fiscal Year:	\$39,742.20	
Interest Collected After Sale/Lien Execution:	582.18	572.72
Redemption Cost:	540.00	111.00
Mtg. Costs:	43.20	
TOTAL DEBITS	\$40,907.58	\$11,819.92
CR.		
Remittance to Treasurer During Fiscal Year:		
Redemptions	\$14,375.64	\$ 3,094.08
Interest & Cost After Sale	1,122.18	683.72
Mtg. Costs	43.20	
Unredeemed Taxes End of Year	25,379.04	8,042.12
Unremitted Cash	(12.48)	
TOTAL CREDITS	\$40,907.58	\$11,819.92

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

RECEIVED FROM TOWN CLERK

1. Motor Vehicle Plates	\$62,340.50
2. Motor Vehicle Titles	116.00
3. Motor Vehicle Overpayment	228.00
4. Dog Licenses	513.00
5. Dog Penalties	87.00
6. UCC's	192.50
7. Town Histories	
Old	50.00
New	110.00
8. Filing Fees	10.00
9. Marriage Certificates	40.00
10. Marriage Certificate Copies	3.00
11. Birth Certificate Copies	15.00
12. Death Certificates	21.00
13. NSF Charges	30.00
14. MV Fees	410.00
15. Wetlands	6.00

\$64,172.00

RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR (1989)

1. Property Tax	\$902,736.81
2. Yield Tax	17,114.93
3. Yield Tax Interest	10.94
4. Current Use	21,291.46
5. Current Use Interest	2.28
Fee	14.50
6. Property Tax Overpayment	115.00
7. Valley Rd. Betterment Assessment	2,998.05

944,283.97

RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR (1988)

1. Property Tax	110,200.15
2. Property Tax Interest	2,547.04
3. Redeem to Town	14,375.64
4. Redeem to Town Interest	582.18
5. Fees to Town	540.00
6. Residence Tax	160.00
7. Residence Tax Penalty	16.00
8. Mtg. Charge to Town	43.20
9. Yield Tax	735.31
10. Yield Tax Interest	28.28
11. Current Use	4,083.75
12. Current Use Interest	1,206.73

134,518.28

RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR (1987)

1. Redeem to Town	3,094.08
2. Redeem to Town Intrest	572.72
3. Fees Town	110.00
4. Redeem to Others	2,806.51
5. Redeem to Others Interest	526.27
6. Fees Others	149.00
7. Mtg. Cost Others	62.50

7,322.08

RECEIVED FROM TAX COLLECTOR (1986)

1. Redeem to Others	4,150.68
2. Redeem to Others Interest	1,418.12
3. Fees Others	111.00
4. Mtg. Cost Others	91.75

5,771.55

Deed Fees	45.00
NSF Charges	80.00

125.00

RECEIVED FROM SELECTMEN

1. Pistol Permits	40.00
2. Copy Fees	155.25
3. Building Permits	2,220.00
4. Checklists	10.00
5. Overpayment/Refund — C.M. Loan	74.33
6. Building Permit Extensions	75.00
7. Camp Morgan Use	342.70
8. Camp Morgan Security Deposit	350.00
9. Insurance Acct. Endorse. Return	2,022.00
10. Town Histories Old & New	84.00
11. W.Y.A. Phone Book Paper	10.23
12. BC/BS Payment	2,767.63
13. N.H. Mun. Unemployment	333.00
14. Postage	22.85
15. Bus Trip	147.80
16. Checks Returned to Books	87.04
17. Town Hall Use & Security	50.00
18. Timber Security	1,063.25
19. S.S. Overpayment	1.49
20. N.H. Council Humanities	25.00
21. Business Calls	1,500.00
22. Phone Calls	12.92
23. Overpayment on C.M. Loan	154.23
24. Old Home Day Comm. — "A Sacred Dep."	2,653.70

14,402.42

RECEIVED FROM BOAT TAX COLLECTOR (1989)

Boat Taxes	2,118.74
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2,118.74

RECEIVED FROM STATE OF N.H.

1. Rec. Property Reimb.	62.90
2. Fed. Land Tax for Pillsbury	5,408.48
3. Revenue Distribution	13,564.19
4. Forest Lands Fed. & State	23.00

19,058.57

RECEIPTS FROM OTHER DEPARTMENTS

Highway

1. Block Grant	29,938.36
2. Purchase of Culverts	808.25
3. Purchase of Screen Plant	1,515.00
4. Claim Payment, Mack Truck	7,899.41
5. Valley Rd., Art. #3	99.17
6. Bailey Rd. Trust Fund	97.64
7. Payroll, Close Acct.	1,008.44
8. Gravel Purchase	144.00
9. Use of Highway Equip.	1,485.00

42,005.27

Washington School District		
1. Reimb. Gas, Town Hall	2,080.52	
2. Copier Use	337.38	
3. Checklists	234.94	
4. Share — Work. Comp.	1,198.75	
5. Camp Morgan Use	1,340.82	
		5,192.41
Shedd Free Library		
1. Town Histories Old & New	720.00	
2. Reimb. S.S., Town Share	379.69	
3. Reimb. FICA	379.69	
4. Reimb. F.I.T.	288.00	
		1,767.38
Board of Adjustment Hearing Costs		
	1,085.50	
		1,085.50
Board of Users		
1. Current Use Filing Fee	9.00	
2. Copy of Property Card	1.00	
3. Tax Map Copies	105.00	
		115.00
Planning Board		
1. Advertis. Hearing	186.24	
2. Application, Subdivisions	100.00	
3. Copies, Subdivision Regs.	102.00	
4. Subdivision Costs	734.00	
5. Copies, Master Plan	15.00	
6. Land Use Ordinance	5.00	
7. Mailing	3.45	
8. Maps	3.00	
		1,148.69
Dump		
1. Town of Stoddard	1,585.00	
2. Interest Earned	21.50	
3. Newspapers, Aluminum, etc.	910.24	
4. Fees	525.00	
		3,041.74
Fire Department		
1. Purchase Fire Extinguisher	122.00	
2. Purchase Ice Auger	50.00	
3. Rescue Squad Reimb.	46.75	
4. Stoddard Mutual Aid	102.36	
5. Ladies Aux., Generator	1,000.00	
		1,321.11
Police Department		
1. OHRV Fine	32.00	
2. Copies Police Report	30.00	
3. Burglary Report	5.00	
4. Accident Report	5.00	
		72.00
Washington Cemeteries Graves		
	525.00	
		525.00

Bank East		
1. NOW Acct. Interest	8,171.25	
2. Money Mkt. Transfer	806,611.11	
3. CD Transfer	452,500.00	
4. TAN Direct Deposit	200,000.00	
5. CD Interest	140.33	
	<hr/>	1,467,422.69
TOTAL RECEIPTS TO DATE		\$2,716,459.40
1988 Balance		<hr/> 177,499.92
Total Receipts to date plus balance		2,893,959.32
Less Selectmen's Orders Paid		<hr/> -2,818,255.39
Cash on Hand		75,703.93
Balance in Money Mkt. Bank East		<hr/> 2,602.34
Total in Hands of Treasurer		<hr/> <hr/> \$ 78,306.27

GENERAL PAYROLL ACCOUNT

Deposit into Account	\$5,000.00
Check Charge	<hr/> 55.80
Balance on Hand December 31, 1989	<hr/> \$4,944.20

LYNDA B. ROY

MONEY MARKET FUNDS

Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1988	\$ 56,684.57
Deposits Made During 1989	1,607,765.57
Interest Earned During 1989	10,124.98
Total	\$1,674,575.12
Amount Withdrawn	\$1,671,972.78
Balance on Hand, Decm. 31, 1989	\$2,602.34

REPORT ON BANK EAST CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT

#1208427470 Initial Deposit	Initial Deposit	\$750,000.00	
Interest Earned at Maturity			\$6,281.25
#1208521370 Initial Deposit		200,000.00	
Interest Earned at Maturity			1,611.11
#1208522070 Initial Deposit		150,000.00	
Interest Earned at Maturity			2,500.00
#1208523770 Initial Deposit		300,000.00	
Interest Earned at Maturity			10,361.67
#1208834070 Initial Deposit		210,361.67	
Interest Earned at Maturity			4,149.87
#1209113770 Initial Deposit		300,000.00	
Interest Earned at Maturity			140.33
TOTAL INTEREST EARNED			\$25,044.23

1989 GROSS WAGES FOR TOWN EMPLOYEES

Kenneth J. Fletcher	Road Agent	\$38,672.38
Beth C. Gallagher	Assessor	17,172.00
	Supervisor Checklist	189.00
Mark S. Chase	Highway	15,552.42
Lynda B. Roy	Bookkeeper	14,632.00
	Treasurer	200.00
	Deputy Town Clerk	256.00
Adrien F. Perry	Highway	10,715.30
Paul Braley	Police Chief	9,844.00
Kathleen H. Hunt	Assessor	9,120.00
Wendy J. Otterson	Secretary	8,160.00
Arthur C. Drinkwater	Highway	6,618.62
Ronald A. Jager	Selectman	6,430.00
	Valley Rd. Administration	1,875.00
Jennifer J. Drew	Highway	6,123.25
Charles Fields	Assessor	5,928.00
Barbara Gaskell	Librarian	5,056.00
Kevin L. Hanscom	Highway	4,813.82
Janice F. Philbrick	Tax Collector	4,775.00
	Deputy Town Clerk	520.00
	Assessors Assistant	420.00
Hector Levesque	Custodian	4,249.00
Linda T. Cook	Assessors Assistant	4,215.00
Vicki L. Crane	Town Clerk	3,878.00
	Deputy Tax Collector	140.00
Lloyd Sargent	Highway	3,133.11
Lisa Prentiss	Valley Road	3,104.50
Michael W. Chartier	Highway	3,102.92
Eric A. Peirce	Caretaker, Camp Morgan	2,500.00
John Mitchell	Police	2,105.00
Janet P. Peirce	Director, Summer Program	2,000.00
Ronald E. Roy	Selectman	1,660.00
Joseph K. Payne	Valley Road	1,351.00
	Health Officer	144.00
Theodore S. Drew	Highway	1,328.51
Karin F. T. Fox	Treasurer	1,000.00
Kathleen M. Hunihan	Lifeguard	800.00
Julia Dunton	Planning Board Secretary	798.00
	Secretary	48.00
Susan L. Bridgeo	Highway	742.00
Kristopher Otterson	Counselor	500.00
Holly Russell	Counselor	500.00
Heather Ann Taylor	Counselor	500.00
Elizabeth A. Wood	Trust Fund Bookkeeper	500.00
Philip Barker	Valley Road	460.00
Steven Dube	Highway	350.00
	Valley Road	154.00
Kathy L. Barker	Counselor	250.00
Katherine Killam	Supervisor Checklist	217.00
Alan Goodspeed	Supervisor Checklist	203.00
Lynn Goodspeed	Summer Program, Secretary	157.50
	Assessors Assistant	26.00
Alvin W. Roulinavage	Valley Road	140.00
G. Michael Otterson	Moderator	110.00
Robert Crane II	Assistant Moderator	105.00
John Brooks	Police	96.00

Madeleine B. Williams	Ballot Clerk	57.50
Pearl Devlin	Ballot Clerk	52.50
Michael Iadonisi	Assistant Custodian	49.00
Karen A. Roy	Assessors Assistant	30.00
Hazel B. Drew	Ballot Clerk	12.50
TOTAL		\$207,841.83

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Motor Vehicle Permits & Title Fees	\$62,459.00
Dog Licenses	513.00
Dog Licenses Penalty	87.00
UCC's	192.50
Filing Fees	10.00
Marriage Certificates	40.00
Marriage Certificate copies	3.00
Birth Certificate copies	15.00
Death Certificate copies	21.00
Wetland Permits	6.00
Town Histories	160.00
Motor Vehicle overpayments	228.00
Municipal Agent Fees	407.50
NSF charges	30.00
	\$64,172.00

Respectfully submitted,

VICKI CRANE, Town Clerk

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Title of Appropriation	1989 Approved	Receipts & Reimb.	Total Available	Expend- itures	Unexp. Balance	Over- draft
Town Officers' Salary	\$16,450.00		\$16,450.00	\$19,304.74		\$2,854.74
Town Office Expenses	42,000.00	844.16	42,844.16	47,170.71		4,326.55
Election & Registration	2,000.00	231.14	2,231.14	1,261.24	\$969.90	
Cemeteries	9,000.00		9,000.00	9,000.00		
General Gov't Buildings	32,575.00	2,130.52	34,705.52	25,457.48	9,248.04	
Planning & Zoning	2,500.00	2,221.74	4,721.74	3,471.78	1,249.96	
Legal Expenses	10,000.00		10,000.00	4,369.45	5,630.55	
Regional Associations	1,192.00		1,192.00	1,047.00	145.00	
Contingency Fund	2,500.00		2,500.00		2,500.00	
Revaluation	46,670.00		46,670.00	40,823.37	5,846.63	
Police	30,000.00	80.00	30,080.00	20,733.94	9,346.06	
Fire Department	15,450.00	218.75	15,668.75	15,749.71		80.96
Forest Fire Control	400.00	102.36	502.36	1,123.06		620.70
Civil Defense	1.00		1.00		1.00	
Emergency Communications	8,500.00	1,000.00	9,500.00	7,255.85	2,244.15	
Fire Alarms Town Buildings	2,500.00		2,500.00		2,500.00	
Fire Pond Maintenance	6,018.00		6,018.00	6,687.79		669.79
Street Lights	1,800.00		1,800.00	1,820.45		20.45
Highway Department	190,434.00	15,725.37	206,159.37	196,728.89	9,430.48	
Highway Block Grant	21,103.03	8,835.33	29,938.36	22,998.62	6,939.74	
Special Road Projects	40,732.34		40,732.34	70,208.60		
Dump	90,169.00*	34,553.17	124,722.17	89,518.51	35,203.66	29,476.26
Lake Sunapee Home Health	1,307.50		1,307.50	1,307.50		
Washington Rescue Squad	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		
Hillsboro Rescue Squad	500.00		500.00	500.00		
Marlow Rescue Squad	100.00		100.00	100.00		
Community Youth Advocates	2,500.00		2,500.00	2,500.00		
Sullivan County Hospice	250.00		250.00	250.00		

Health & Welfare	25.00	25.00	4,764.87	4,739.87
Old Age Assistance	15.00	15.00		15.00
Parks & Rec. Comm.	20,900.00	23,094.24	21,370.48	1,723.76
Shedd Free Library	10,000.00	667.69	10,667.69	
Patriotic Purposes	400.00	400.00	100.00	300.00
Old Home Day	2,500.00	25.00	2,292.95	232.05
Town Commeration Booklet	3,500.00	2,623.70	7,017.00	893.30
FICA	18,814.00	379.69	15,588.25	3,605.44
Insurance	40,900.00	3,295.08	31,918.74	12,276.34
Unemployment Compensation	550.00	333.00	745.20	137.50
Principal: Long Term Notes	35,000.00	35,000.00	30,000.00	5,000.00
Interest: Long Term	11,750.00	154.23	10,926.83	977.40
Interest: Temporary	4,000.00	43,480.79	52,561.25	
Valley Road Art #3 & #4	135,000.00		135,981.25	5,080.46
Computer System	25,000.00	1,500.00	26,472.50	981.25
Capital Reserve: Loader	5,000.00		5,000.00	
Capital Reserve: Fire Truck	30,000.00		30,000.00	
Fuel & Tanks	20,000.00	99.17	19,476.91	622.26
Major Repairs/CM	11,000.00*	801.86	10,256.54	1,545.32
Valley Road Carry Over	*	22,655.72	22,471.92	183.80
Totals:	\$953,505.87	\$144,152.71	\$1,029,501.07	\$117,901.54
Minus Overdrafts				-49,744.03
Net Balance of Appropriations				\$68,157.51
Balances to Carry Forward for 1990:				
Fire Alarms		2,500.00		
Block Grant		6,939.74		
Dump Closure		35,203.65		
Total:		\$44,643.39		44,643.39
Final Balance of Appropriations				\$23,554.12

*Indicates 1988 balance carried forward

1989 TRUST FUNDS CHECKING ACCOUNT

Cash Balance 1/1/89		\$ 3,758.75
Total Deposits during 1989		<u>115,387.95</u>
Total Available:		\$119,146.70
Payments:		
T. J. Lawrence Memorial Award —		
Andrew Wright	\$ 200.00	
Trustees of Cemeteries — 1988	2,603.06	
Trustees of Cemeteries — 1989	1,840.14	
Shedd Free Library	3,019.81	
Donald L. MacPhee Award Committee	75.00	
Old School Dist. #5 Scholarship —		
Stephen Gallagher	321.43	
Town of Washington — Bailey Road	97.64	
Deposits into Accounts:		
T. J. Lawrence Memorial Fund	270.00	
Capital Reserve — Fire Truck	30,000.00	
Capital Reserve — Loader	5,000.00	
Certificate of Deposits Transactions:		
(new additions, transfers, maturities)	<u>72,108.84</u>	
Total Expended:	\$115,585.92	<u>\$115,585.92</u>
Balance in Checking Account 12/31/89:		\$ 3,560.78

ELIZABETH A. WOOD, Bookkeeper

REPORT OF THE WASHINGTON CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Balance on Hand, January 1, 1989	\$3,195.01
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Receipts

Town of Washington (Appropriation)	\$9,000.00	
1988 Trust Fund Income	2,603.06	
1989 Trust Fund Income	1,890.14	
1989 Grave Lot Sales	4,500.00	
		\$21,188.21

Payments

Mowing Contract:		
Washington Center	\$5,400.00	
E. Washington	4,450.00	
Louis Iadonisi (add'l work at E. Wash. Cem.)	267.98	
Plant Damage (refund)	15.00	
Peterborough Marble & Granite Works (gravestone repairs)	460.00	
Advertising (paid by Town of Wash., from approp.)	68.80	
Postmaster, Washington (postage)	2.00	
General Expenses (check. acct. serv. charges)	16.60	
Town of Washington (grave lot sales)	525.00	
Trust Funds, Town of Wash. (perpetual care)	4,675.00	
		\$15,880.38

Balance on Hand, December 31, 1989	\$5,307.83
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MARCIA GOODSPEED, Bookkeeper
 BARBARA GASKELL
 ETHEL CRANE

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

January 26, 1990

To The Towns People of Washington

At this point in time, I could appease the arrogant Selectmen of this town by succumbing to their accusations of my expenditure, on "Moore Hill" and South Stoddard Road. However it would be deceitful of me to do so, thereby withholding the truth from the good Townspeople who elected me last March.

THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER IS I WAS ORDERED BY OUR ILLUSTRIOUS SELECTMEN TO STAY OFF OF OLD STODDARD ROAD WHILE THEY WERE RENOVATING IT.

The Selectmen and their committee were to be in complete charge of all expenditures relating to that particular project. Please keep this in mind when rumors arise reflecting a \$30,000 deficit in the Highway Department Budget. I did not authorize nor initiate allocation of funds for labor to be consumed on this project. In fact, I have turned \$9,000 back to the town \$6,000 in Block Grant.

My overtime was under heavy dispute throughout 1989. Nevertheless our Selectmen chose to overlook the fact that at the time there were only two men on the road crew. The very men who criticize my putting in so many hours in a week are the very ones who call me at home on Sunday evening when I am in bed after plowing thirty six hours, to say why aren't you out plowing or sanding?

It has been brought to my attention that the Highway Department has spent approximately \$75,000 more than in 1988. All of which was appropriated at last March Town Meeting.

In retrospect, look around you, when was there last paving of roads in Town or the Marlow Bridge brought up to State specification. Not to mention regular maintenance of dirt roads and numerous culverts installed to prevent washouts in the spring.

Some of you may have seen me using the York rake in front of my pickup last summer. This is something I personally purchased because I thought it would do the job I wanted it to on our dirt roads. I use a lot of my own equipment in town, such as my generator, sander, tools and steam cleaner. The steam cleaner is particularly useful in opening frozen culvert when we have rain in mid winter, or keeping our Equipment clean.

I feel I've accomplished 95% of what I said I wanted to last March. I still have that list if anyone cares to see it. Stop by the Highway Garage. The door is open to anyone who feels they may not be getting their monies worth is welcome to follow me around for a week.

My theory on a Highway Advisory Council to be reinstated is, once again, it will create too many Chiefs and not enough Indian. Anyone who knows me, knows if I have a problem or question I consult former Road Agents in this Town or State Bureau of Roads and Highways. As for prioritizing work to be

done on our roads, No one rides over the Town roads as much as a Road Agent. Always on the lookout as to what could be done to make them better, taking the whole picture in, not just something they happened to see that morning on their way to work.

Being Road Agent is a no win situation sometimes, however, I enjoy the challenge.

Thank you for your faith and appreciation.

Respectfully,

KENNETH J. FLETCHER

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT PAYROLL ACCOUNT

Deposits:

General Highway Funds	\$70,000.00
Interest NOW Account	285.97

Total Available:	\$70,285.97
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Expenditures:

Payroll Checks Issued:

Kenneth Fletcher	\$28,759.97
Kevin Hanscom	3,739.19
Arthur Drinkwater	5,174.60
Theodore Drew	1,152.51
Lloyd Sargent	2,674.36
Steven Dube	277.72
Mark Chase	11,305.97
Jennifer J. Drew	4,849.40
Michael Chartier	2,377.89
Adrien Perry	8,355.55
Susan Bridgeo	584.26

Charge for Checks	26.11
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Total	\$69,277.53
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Balance of Account	1,008.44
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Paid to Town to Close Account	1,008.44
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Balance in Account December 31, 1989	\$0.00
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LYNDA B. ROY
Bookkeeper

REPORT OF COMMUNICATION OFFICER

This post was created by the Fire Department two years ago to cut costs and speed repair of equipment. Under the budget of Emergency Communications and adopted by the Town's Selectmen in the fall of 1989 to correlate fire, police, and highway budgets for radio, alarms, and communication services under Emergency Communication.

In the time I had to work with, the Fire Alarm System in the Town Hall which was installed years ago with no compliance to electric codes or regard for public use has been brought up to code. A Fire Alarm has been installed at Camp Morgan, it has a cold alarm to prevent freeze ups.

The radio system for fire, police, and highway use which was installed in 1981 is prone to failures and expensive repairs on a very regular basis, and should be updated as soon as possible to avoid unanswered emergencies.

The tangle which was the telephones within the Town has been customized to fit present use. This has resulted in substantial saving of money.

BRUCE WOODBURY
Communication Officer

WASHINGTON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Emergency Management is the Town of Washington's commitment to population protection for all hazards. It has become an "ALL HAZARD APPROACH" that will attempt to observe and address all hazards that exist, not only in town, but those that channel through our town.

At this time I would like to thank the Board of Selectmen for their confidence in my ability to handle the appointment of Director, and Fire, Rescue, and Police for making the transition a smooth and productive one.

JEREMY LANGLEY, Director

VALLEY ROAD REPORT

In 1988 the litigation between Highland Lake Association and the Town of Washington was resolved through a compromise worked out by the Valley Road Committee, and affirmed by a strong vote (66/5) of the townspeople. In January 1989 the agreement was made binding through a "Stipulation" of the Cheshire County Superior Court. (See Town Reports for 1988, page 62-3.) In accord with the Stipulation, appropriations were made at the March 1989 town meeting; thereafter the Selectmen proceeded with work on the road, with these available funds:

Betterment assessment on	
Valley Road properties	\$125,000
Appropriated by the town	
March 1989	10,000
Balance from engineering study	
appropriation (1988)	9,117.20

The Court's Stipulation also required the Selectmen to "publish accountings of . . . expenditures." Hence this report.

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In June, 1989 M&R Construction of Merrimack, New Hampshire was engaged (under a \$35,000 contract) to clear the right-of-way of trees, pull, remove, and grind the stumps, and do other basic roadside work. We expected to do this in the spring, continue other work at a much reduced rate during the summer traffic season, and then do more heavy work in the fall. However, being well satisfied with the work of M&R Construction and with the cooperation of the residents, we decided to proceed during the summer. Thus M&R continued under a scale of hourly rates approved by us beforehand for each piece of equipment. This arrangement proved to be very efficient: it eliminated most overhead costs, bypassed the need for a "clerk-of-the-works," and saved thousands of dollars for the town. M&R completed their work in August. We are pleased with the work performed, both its quantity and its quality; it far exceeds the amount of work thought possible within this budget by several knowledgeable people, including our consulting engineer.

Fortunately, we were able to make an arrangement for gravel with Mr. Thurston Williams, owner of a tract of land abutting the Valley Road--who also permitted us to use his land as a stump-grinding site. The prospect of being able to bring gravel down the hill directly to the road--as contrasted with trucking it from East Washington--was too attractive to pass up. We improved an old timber roadway, got permission from the Board of Adjustment, opened a pit, and brought down gravel. (Mr. Williams was assessed \$1460 in land use conversion taxes, since the pit had to be taken out of current use.) The quality

of gravel found so far is rather low, but good for road base, and we expect continued use from this source in future years--if the town maintains good relations with Mr. Williams.

The work was conducted and supervised in the following manner. At all times we sought to avoid, so far as possible, the expensive help of surveyors, lawyers, and engineers. Starting in April, the Selectmen spent much time (with valuable help from Arthur Prentiss) carefully identifying the legal boundaries of the road, in determining what easements were required, and in contacting landowners and securing their approval. We rejected a \$3800 survey-mapping bid to draft and map the results of our work, and decided to do it ourselves, drawing upon the work and maps prepared earlier by the Valley Road Committee. In dealings with the Valley Road residents, our goal was to avoid hardship, hard feelings, excessive expense, eminent domain proceedings, and other litigation. In all this we were successful beyond our expectations, and found the residents most cooperative. Selectmen were involved in all major planning decisions, as was Arthur Prentiss, our invaluable Valley-Road-resident consultant. Compensation was as follows: Arthur Prentiss was paid a small consultant fee; Richard Griffith was paid nothing; Ronald Jager was paid an hourly wage, but was not paid for mileage, travel time, or miscellaneous other hours indirectly connected with the road work. Thus the administrative overhead on the roadwork was covered by volunteered time or by the Town, and all the Betterment Assessment money went into the road.

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The experience of this year confirms that the court's settlement was reasonable and fair. The work itself went more smoothly and efficiently than we expected. The road will never be a great one, but it is adequate, and will improve as we continue work in accordance with the court Stipulation: in addition to regular upkeep and maintenance, there must be a town appropriation of between \$10,000 and \$20,000 for each of the next four years. We recommend an appropriation of \$15,000 for 1990.

ROADWORK EXPENDITURES [available: \$135,000]

Culverts	\$6,774.09
Gravel and Crushed Rock	12,752.09
Contract: Clearing right-of-way	35,000.00
Hourly contracted work:	
M&R Construction	69,082.00
Blasting	5,424.50
Other	1,901.39
Wages (brushcutting, flagging, etc.)	4,241.50
Miscellaneous	805.68
Total expended on Road Work	\$135,981.25
[Balance = --(981.25)]	

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES [available: \$9,117.20]

VALLEY ROAD CARRY OVER

Balance, Dec. 31, 1988	\$22,655.72
Bank East, repay loan	13,538.52
Balance	\$9,117.20

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENDITURES [available: \$9,117.20]

Professional Services on road:

Legal	0.00
Surveying	0.00
Engineering	303.75
Land-taking costs	0.00
Planning and Supervision	2,853.54
Bond Bank fee	3,000.00
Legal service on bond	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	1,776.11
Total administrative expenses	8,933.40
[Balance \$9,117.20 minus 8,933.40:	183.80

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By the Washington Board of Selectmen

 UPTON, SANDERS AND SMITH

10 Centre Street

P.O. Box 1109

Concord, N.H. 03301

The report forwarded to my attention is more than adequate to satisfy the requirements of the court's order. Moreover, the narrative description provides a succinct summary of the steps the Town has taken to implement the stipulation. The Valley Road Committee and other officials who have been involved with this matter are to be commended. Sincerely,

s/ Barton L. Mayer

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

As the 1989 calendar year draws to an end, I am happy to report that not one structure was lost due to fire in Washington this past year. Our Department has been busy, however. We responded to 5 brush fires, 9 chimney fires, 12 electrical fires, 5 motor vehicle accidents, 3 vehicle fires, 2 false alarms and one fire in the compactor at the dump. In addition, we responded with mutual aid to four fires outside our town.

In an effort to keep the number of fires to a minimum, the department is making available to the people of Washington 10-pound A-B-C refillable fire extinguishers at \$45.00 each. These same extinguishers list for over \$90.00. We feel every home should have at least one of these extinguishers. They are easy to use and will put out many fires before they get out of control. The department can also arrange to have these extinguishers refilled.

An accident with one of our pumpers put it out of service for a couple of weeks this past spring. The repairs for what appeared to be minor damage came to almost \$4,500.00. This placed a significant burden on our budget for this year. As we did not want to exceed the \$15,500.00 given us by the voters, we tightened our belts and deleted from our anticipated expenditures those things which were not absolutely essential to the everyday workings of the department. In one case, this meant not purchasing new fire hose (which has been put off for the past two years.) There just hasn't been any money left at the end of the year. We could not see any point in overspending our budget if a true emergency did not exist.

Realizing that this was a bad year tax-wise for the people of Washington, and wanting to do their share to try to reduce spending as much as possible, the members have voted to reduce the 1990 budget to \$11,500.00. This represents about a 34% decrease in our operating budget. We hope all our departments will respond to the call for lower taxes by reducing their own budgets this year by a similar percentage.

Our separate articles will include:

1. An additional appropriation to capital reserve to replace the old Mack at some point in the future.
2. Money for the continued upgrading and repair of the fire ponds and hydrants.
3. Replacement of protective clothing.
4. Purchase of additional hose and fittings.

The department obtained a generator through federal surplus property this year, thanks to a donation from the Ladies' Auxiliary. Bruce Woodbury and Jeremy Langley donated countless hours installing the generator in the fire station so that the station can function as an emergency center in the event of a power failure.

It may, at times, seem that the total amount of money spent to operate the department and its special projects is more than we have to absolutely spend, especially with the low number of house fires we get in Washington.

Please try to keep in mind that the firefighters of our community are on call 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 52 weeks a year. They do this without pay--often sacrificing their own jobs. Besides fighting fires, the number of training hours spent this past year by our members has more than tripled over previous years.

We wish to thank all those people who donated so generously of their time and materials to make the operation of the fire department as successful as it has been. We hope you will continue to support our fund-raising drives and those of the Ladies Auxiliary.

ROBERT J. WRIGHT, Fire Chief

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

In 1990, the Washington Police Department expanded its force by the addition of two officers. In July, Officer John Mitchell joined the force and in December, Officer Dave Webber became a member. Both members bring an excess of 20 years of part-time Law Enforcement experience to the department. In Officer Mitchell's case, 12 years of his experience was as a part-time Chief.

In keeping with the Department's goal of bringing professional service to this community, I feel the addition of these officers will go a long way in accomplishing that goal.

PAUL BRALEY, Police Chief

WASHINGTON RESCUE SQUAD REPORT

Nineteen eighty-nine saw an approximate 40% increase in the number of our calls--with a total of 48.

Our two annual fund raisers, the fishing in February and the ham and bean supper on Labor Day were both successful. We also raffled a hot air balloon ride during Old Home Days.

As stated in the 1988 report, our major focus this year was on training. A total of 179-1/2 hours of in-house training plus approximately 964 hours of continuing education were accumulated among our 12 members. We added two EMTs and an advanced first aid person this year.

In the beginning of August the squad received notification of its nomination for an award by the Governor. On September 17, 1989, aboard the M/S Mt. Washington, the WRS received a certificate of appreciation for its contribution to volunteerism. The squad would like to make special thanks to Jim Hofford for making the nomination.

In August the squad received notice from the state that hepatitis vaccine would be mandatory for all licensed ambulance attendants. Upon approaching the Selectmen, one member of the Board stated that the cost of the vaccine would be covered thru Town funds. After the entire Board reviewed this matter, it was rescinded. Because the squad felt this was such an urgent matter, the \$1,600.00 cost of the vaccine was taken from our emergency fund and the vaccine was administered to all members in December.

The newest addition to our emergency equipment was received in September. The \$7,100.00 defibrillator/heart monitor is here! Five thousand dollars from the 1987-88 appropriations was used toward the purchase. Training on this new equipment will be completed by the end of January 1990. This will allow us to provide quality advanced cardiac life support to our citizens.

The Washington Rescue Squad would like to extend a special thank you to Bobby Crane, Mike Otterson and Larry Gaskell, three fire fighters who drive for the squad, for their efforts and help in the past year.

We would also like to thank the Town Communications Officer, Bruce Woodbury, for all his efforts in "keeping us in touch."

As stated in the 1988 report, our main focus this year was on training and not on fund raising. Because we are supported mainly by contributions, our available monies are limited and donations would be appreciated.

Thank you all for your support!

THE WASHINGTON RESCUE SQUAD

REPORT OF TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

During calendar year 1989, the State of New Hampshire experienced an average number of wildfires. The three leading causes of these wildfires were fires kindled without written permission of a Forest Fire Warden, children, and debris-burning fires that escaped control. All of these causes are preventable, but only with your help.

Please help our town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. By New Hampshire State law (RSA 224:27), no person, firm or corporation shall kindle or cause to be kindled any fire, except when the ground is covered with snow, without first obtaining a written permit from the Forest Fire Warden of the town where the burning is to be done.

In order to eliminate false alarms, it is advisable to notify your local fire department whenever you intend to do any outdoor burning.

Violations of RSA 224:27 are a misdemeanor and you are also liable for paying all fire suppression costs (RSA 224:28 and RSA 224:36).

The State of New Hampshire, Division of Forests and Lands assisted many towns in wildland fire suppression during 1989, including several large fires in the Concord and Chesterfield areas, as well as the 100-acre fire on Mt. Belknap in Gilford, New Hampshire.

If you have any questions regarding New Hampshire forest fire laws, please contact your local Forest Fire Warden or the Division of Forests and Lands at 271-2217.

Forest Fire Statistics--1989

Number of Fires Statewide	550
Acres Burned Statewide	553.75
Cost of Suppression	\$93,957.00

Town of Washington

Approximately 1 acre burned in Washington

Forest Protection -- (603) 271-2217
Land Management -- (603) 271-3456
Forest Management -- (603) 271-3456
Information & Planning -- (603) 271-3457

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

New assessment figures, derived from the reevaluation of the Town, were posted in time for the 1989 tax bills. The entire town was reassessed in the one-and-a-half year time period as planned.

In October 1989, "impact notices," listing the new evaluation totals, were sent out to all property owners. Out of nearly 2100 new figures, approximately 200 concerned inquiries were made. Most of these inquiries were satisfied by detailed explanation of the figures and where they were derived from.

We would like to thank all individuals who reviewed their new assessments, because with each property card review came more accurate and complete town records.

During the first few months of 1990 the new property records will be transferred onto finalized copies. These new copies, along with other pertinent information now contained in each property owner's file, shall be combined and the old records will go into storage.

In April it's back to the annual "pick-ups" and the cycle starts again. . . .

Seventy-five building permit applications were submitted in 1989 to the Land Use Ordinance Inspectors.

The Assessing office is open to the public each Wednesday from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.

BETH C. GALLAGHER, Chairman
CHARLES L. FIELDS
KATHLEEN H. HUNT

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

During 1989 the Planning Board reviewed and approved several subdivisions and, as of January, 1990, has before it for consideration, three additional ones, with a total of over 40 lots on public and private roads. It is the goal of the Planning Board: (1) to become more and more knowledgeable in 1990 about the needs and wishes of the Town's citizens; (2) and to proceed with the orderly review of subdivision proposals, master plan revisions, capital improvement plans, and the Land Use Ordinance; and (3) to effect the growth of the Town in such a way as to maintain its character and provide for its citizens' welfare. To assist us in carrying out these goals, we urge you to complete the Master Plan questionnaire which is made available to you.

Minutes of the Planning Board meetings are regularly included in the Argus-Champion in an effort to keep the Town informed of Board matters. The Board meets on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 8:00 P.M.; everyone is welcome to attend any or all of the Board's meetings.

JULIA DUNTON, Chair
RICHARD GRIFFITH
ROBERT HAMILL
THOMAS TALPEY
TIMOTHY WOLFE
KENNETH BRIGHTON, Alternate
DAVID ROCHFORD, Alternate

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SHEDD FREE LIBRARY

This year the Library was rearranged a little bit. The Children's Room had always been very crowded when more than three people were in it at one time, so it was decided to move it to the roomier "Zaida Cilley Room." The Reference Area was put into the old Children's Room, making a nice, quiet little room to do research or read while children have more room to move around and look at books. In this coming year, we hope to be able to replace the temporary metal shelving in the new children's area with nicer and more permanent wooden shelving.

The summer reading program was a success again this year. Nine children participated by earning "book bucks" for the books they read and then "buying" things with their earnings at the end of the summer. Each year this program grows and the children seem to enjoy it more.

The school children continue to use the library on a regular basis to borrow books both for pleasure and for school work. With fewer grades to work with now, I believe I can better fulfill their needs for research materials. I am currently working on purchasing a set of books about the States so children studying specific states can take out a book about that state and not have to rely on the encyclopedia as their only source.

My big project this year was to complete an inventory of all the books in the library. This entailed a great deal of work checking to see which books have disappeared over the years and which books were never entered into the catalog. Actually the years have been kind; not many books have disappeared and the recordkeeping has been fairly accurate. Therefore, the statistics at the end of the report are adjusted and accurate as of December 28, 1989. It was a lot of work, but I feel that it was worth it just to set all the records straight.

FRIENDS OF THE SHEDD FREE LIBRARY

The monthly exhibits at the Library are well received and enjoyed by all. A great deal of work goes into each exhibit and we are grateful to those who put so much time and effort into them. Exhibiting in 1989 were: Bob and Martha Hamil, Jim Gundersen, Richard Lathrop, Philip Barker, James Hofford and Ellen Hofford. Not all the skills exhibited were visual but all were enjoyed--some for more than one month. The school children attended many of the demonstrations along with the public.

New this year (or rather, renewed) was the preschool story hour. Twice monthly preschoolers from around town, including East Washington, meet at the library for stories, poems, songs and play. The mothers share in the duties of reading stories and it is hoped that the group might become self-sustaining. Anyone with children ages 3-5 is welcome to come and younger brothers and sisters have fun, too.

STATISTICS

Total number of books owned	6,205	
number added		289
number withdrawn		136
Total # of audio recordings		104
Total # of video recordings		18
Total # of periodicals		21
Total no. of card holders		401
Total circulation	5,110	

BARBARA E. GASKELL, Library Director

SHEDD FREE LIBRARY -- TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Carryover	\$12.64	
Town appropriation	10,000.00	
Interest, Trust Funds	3,326.28	
Reim. from Town		
Gas & Electricity	760.57	
Fines	122.23	
Copy money	77.06	
Grant from State Library	124.29	
New Books	86.73	
Gifts	275.00	
Book Fairs	474.45	
		\$15,259.25

Expenses

Librarians	\$4,817.31	
Media	3,620.07	
Electricity & Gas	2,352.67	
Telephone	167.09	
Supplies Treasurer	75.00	
Library Supplies	725.86	
Capital Outlay		
& Repairs	1,439.25	
Dues & Trustees' Expenses	47.00	
Services & Supplies	944.29	
Cleaning, painting & minor repairs		
Soc. Sec. withheld	379.69	
Soc. Sec. matched	379.69	
Income Tax withheld	288.00	

\$15,235.92

Check Book Balance

23.33

\$15,259.25

ARCHIVES COMMITTEE REPORT

This year the Committee members took a half year "leave of absence." However, this was at a time when immediate work was not necessary since most of the papers and ledgers are already organized and enclosed.

Since the Town Clerk and Tax Collector have moved to the Town Hall we now have room to move without bumping into furniture or people, and also two flat desks to work upon. This is most certainly not an insignificant fact. Shared only with the Historical Society now, and having the same goals but with slight variations, it is a near-perfect situation for both groups.

A quote from last years' report . . . "all in a safe location with a good temperature range and atmospheric conditions that will serve us well; but only as long as the dehumidifier performs during the critical months of the year. . ." is still in effect today. If it fails, immediate replacement will be needed.

VICKI CRANE
GRACE JAGER
SALLY KRONE

PRESERVATION & RESTORATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The committee met three times this year and submitted its recommendations to the selectmen. We also inspected the Wigwam at Camp Morgan and made our recommendations, leaving the final decision to the voters. Our recommendations are on file at the Town Office.

Respectfully submitted,

MIKE OTTERSON
LARRY LEIZURE
FRED OTTERSON

UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE COUNCIL

The Council is a public, non-profit, voluntary association of towns and cities. It consists of 31 communities and five counties in New Hampshire and Vermont. The Council operates through a Board of Directors and a professional staff. Each community appoints a member to the Board of Directors.

The increasing rate of growth in small towns adds new dimensions to ongoing problems such as waste disposal and transportation (town roads). This in turn increases the need for intergovernmental coordination on issues associated with growth. The Upper Valley-Lake Sunapee Council provides a regional forum and a professional staff to advise and assist member towns in developing comprehensive plans for guiding population growth consistent with towns' goals.

SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE REPORT

Thanks to you . . .

RECYCLING WORKS

As you know, our Town began an experiment with recycling beginning in June 1988 and decided to continue with a mandatory program of recycling in 1989. With most landfills soon to close, we wanted to preserve our environment and protect our tax dollars from becoming another form of waste!

Well, thanks to your cooperation, our efforts are paying off. Just see what's been happening in only the first five months.

HOUSEHOLD TRASH

Total household trash compacted and removed: 327 tons. This household trash cost our town \$70 per ton for incineration. But consider the savings we've already realized, having your help in separating glass, aluminum cans and paper:

Total lbs. recycled

Aluminum cans	2,726	saving of \$908.00
Separated glass	19,999	saving of 48.22
Newspapers	14,640	cost of --73.20*

*(Note: no income here due to temporary paper glut but our own trucking away of papers results in serious savings over cost of compactor trucking).

Not only has our town made \$883.00 from glass and can sales, but we have had 19 tons less trash to have removed at \$70/ton. This alone equals an added saving of \$1,330.00.

NON-BURNABLES (Demolition Waste)

Two hundred fifty tons of demolition waste has been deposited and trucked away at a cost to the town of \$66/ton plus a \$350.00 hauling fee. Reducing this town cost, however, has been the receipt of approximately \$500.00 paid by commercial haulers and significant town users. (Note: this policy has helped equalize the very expensive cost of removing non-burnables. There is no more fee, however, for depositing small quantities--i.e., less than 1/4 of a truck load of "demo" waste.

We know we can improve. Next year, for example, with concrete bins for our glass and cans we could save even more by not renting a Portable Recycling Center. But overall, compared to last year, we are more cost-efficient, thanks to you. Your cooperation makes recycling work.

JIM HOFFORD, BOB HAMILL, STEVE DUBE

P.S. We've just been notified that our request for recycling funds has been approved by the N.H. The Beautiful Foundation. This will provide \$2,500.00 for new equipment. More monies are being sought from the N.H. Office of State Planning.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION

Credit for the continuing success of the Camp Morgan summer program belongs to parents, an exceptional program director, outstanding counselors and a perennial crew of volunteers who among other things, built new floats essential to continuation of swimming instruction for all age groups.

The Crafts building (Wigwam) is no longer safe for public use, thus the indoor summer program activities were held in Camp Morgan Lodge.

Seepage into the basement of the Lodge was a serious problem at the time Washington purchased the property. There were many large cracks in the basement walls; surface runoff frequently filled the basement window wells and spilled onto the floor. Last June, Rick Niven excavated around the foundation, sealed cracks in the walls and installed a drainage system. High ground around the Lodge was cut back to divert surface runoff. Spoil from the grading was used to enlarge the parking lot and buildup the playing field adjacent to the beach. There has been no evidence of seepage since completion of this project. Two coats of oil stain were applied to the Lodge and caretakers cabin, greatly improving appearance of the buildings and checking deterioration of the siding.

Improving the Lodge and grounds used for summer activities enlarges opportunities for broader use of the Camp Morgan property. Improvement goals should include reconstruction of the tennis courts, a small building at the beach where swimmers can don swim suits and a picnic shelter. Restoration of the tennis courts, frequently suggested by Town residents, and urged by some members of the Millen Pond Association as a potential cost sharing project, should have high priority. A New Hampshire contractor who builds courts for professional use and also less costly utilitarian courts, will rebuild the Camp Morgan tennis courts, including removal of rocks, laying a gravel base and resurfacing for \$12,045.50.

The Parks & Rec. Commission ventured into a new area this year. A band concert at the East Washington pond was an enjoyable, relaxing and inexpensive way to spend a Sunday afternoon in September. Many participants had great comments for the event, and we hope to schedule at least two more events in 1990.

1989 OLD HOME DAY COMMITTEE REPORT (Meeting House Bicentennial)

Gwendolyn Gaskell, Chairman; Natalie Jurson, Vice Chairman; Ethel Crane, Secretary; Charles Dalphond, Treasurer; Sally Krone, Archives; Barbara Gaskell, and Manning Harvey, Publicity; and Kathy Hunt, Liaison. In spite of three days of heavy rain, the committee feels that the celebration was successful. The only two events that were cancelled were the games at Camp Morgan on Saturday and the craft demonstrations on Sunday.

The celebration got off to a good start Friday night with the "Concord Coachmen" singing under the tarps and a dessert social of ice-cream toppings and cookies.

It was cold and rainy, but we served about one hundred people and the "Concord Coachmen" were very much enjoyed by all. About 75 people attended the lecture upstairs on early meeting houses presented by Peter Benes, who has written a great deal about early meeting houses. The lecture was sponsored by the N.H. Humanities Council. About 80 cars were parked at the ballfield at Camp Morgan to enjoy the fireworks.

The parade on Saturday was also successful in spite of the rain. Doug Rolfe served as announcer. In addition to floats, bands, vehicles, etc., we had the pleasure of having Miss N.H., Jennifer Landry of Manchester, in the parade, along with Peter Spaulding of the Governor's Council who has "grass roots" from Washington. This year also marked the 50th anniversary of the Washington Fire Department. We do feel that there was a distinct lack of communication between the police chief and his officers as to what the committee wanted, which resulted in a tie-up at the cemetery.

The historical display at the Town Hall was exceptionally well displayed, thanks to Sally Krone. Phil Barker and Ron Jager helped with tours up into the tower which were enjoyed by over 50 people.

The stamp cancellation on the wooden post cards and other general mail was successful. Approximately 750 cancellations went to 47 states and Canada.

The church sale was a huge success!

Tomacchios with their french fry and fried bread dough stand gave us 15% of what they made.

Church services were held at the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Canoe races were held at Camp Morgan.

The supper at Purling Beck Grange in East Washington was a huge success. The food ran out and several people had to be turned away.

The dance was a successful money maker.

On Sunday church services were held at both the Washington Congregational Church and the East Washington Baptist Church.

The chicken barbecue was a success.

The East Washington District #5 schoolhouse was open to the public both Saturday and Sunday afternoon. Over 70 people signed the guest book. The committee is sorry they did not think to have a guest book at the quilt

show and at the Town Hall.

The Nevers Band of Concord presented a most enjoyable band concert which was heard by many in spite of the rain.

The book "A Sacred Deposit" cost us much more than the committee expected. At first, we thought in terms of a pamphlet, but the project just seemed to grow in size and content. The final bill was \$7,017.00. The committee was astonished to learn of this, but the books had already been ordered so it was too late to back out. We have worked hard selling books, making candy, selling buttons, wooden post cards, etc. to pay for these, although we do not feel entirely responsible for the deficit incurred by this book. Four members of the committee made one last effort to reduce the deficit by making candy to sell at the Christmas Fair. The book is available for \$8.00 per book or \$5.00 per book for lots of 20 or more--but it cannot be retailed for less than \$8.00. It is available at the Town Clerk's or Assessors' office and at Gaskell's Store. Through everyone's hard work, we have managed to bring the deficit down to \$885.30. We have only had the book five months, and we hope that over the next few months the sale of the books will cover the remaining deficit.

We have ordered a plaque to indicate that our town buildings are on the National Register of Historic Places. We hope that the voters will permit us to put the plaque on the Town Hall.

We have also put \$500.00 into a C.D. at the bank to help with the cost of the next Old Home Day celebration.

The committee had \$1,125.42 left of the committee money. After the cost of the plaque and the \$500.00 C.D. were taken out, the remaining money was put toward the deficit on "A Sacred Deposit."

A mysterious gorilla reigned over our celebration. He was uninvited, but stood on the bandstand Saturday. Sunday he was seen by the church, and in the afternoon he stood by the bandstand to listen to the band concert; an added attraction to our celebration. He disappeared after the celebration and was finally located in the back of Walshes' barn covered up. How he got there no one seems to know, but we are sure that Jim Walsh didn't put him there. He is now at home with his owner.

The committee feels that the celebration was a success primarily due to everyone's loyalty and support. We wish to thank everyone for their cooperation.

ETHEL CRANE, Secretary

"A SACRED DEPOSIT"

Cost of publishing		\$7,017.00
Article #29 (from 1989 Town Meeting)	3,500.00	
From books sold, including postage	2,196.28	
Donation from Old Home Day Committee	435.42	
Balance		\$885.30

LAKE SUNAPEE HOME HEALTH CARE, INC.

1989 Report of Services
Provided in Washington

Home Care Program	
Nursing	69 visits
Physical Therapy	17 visits
Homemaker/Home health aide	235 visits
Social Service	
Health Promotion Program	
Blood Pressure	11 clients
Flu Shots	18 clients

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE TOWN OF WASHINGTON
For the Year Ending December 31, 1989

TAXES—ALL FUNDS**A. TAXES**

Property taxes committed—current year	\$1,257,866.00	
Yield taxes committed—current year	18,389.89	
Interest and penalties on taxes	4,457.14	
Tax sales redeemed	17,469.72	
Motor vehicle permit fees	62,340.50	
Total		\$1,360,523.25

B. LICENSES AND PERMITS

Dog licenses	513.00	
All other licenses, permits and fees	2,351.00	
Total		\$2,864.00

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES—ALL FUNDS
FROM THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Shared revenue	13,564.19	
Highway block grant	29,938.36	
State and Federal Forest Land	5,494.38	
Total		\$48,996.93

FROM OTHER LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Reimbursements from other local governments	5,192.41	
Total		\$5,192.41

REVENUE FROM CHARGES FOR SERVICES

Sale of cemetery lots	525.00	
Total		\$525.00

MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES

Sale of town property	7,501.95	
Special assessments	2,998.05	
Interest on investments	43,480.79	
Rents and royalties	2,083.52	
Total		\$56,064.31

OTHER FINANCING SOURCES — ALL FUNDS

Proceeds of bond issues	125,000.00	
Total		\$125,000.00

NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS — ALL FUNDS

Tax anticipation notes	950,000.00	
Total		\$950,000.00

TOTAL REVENUES FROM ALL SOURCES \$2,549,165.90

FUND BALANCE, January 1, 1989 \$71,394.00

GRAND TOTAL \$2,620,559.90

EXPENDITURES — ALL FUNDS

	Maintenance Budget Item	Capital Outlay
	Salaries, wages & current operations	Construction
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
Town officer salaries	\$19,304.74	
Town officer expenses	47,170.71	
Election and registration	1,261.24	
Cemeteries	9,000.00	
General government buildings	25,457.48	
Reappraisal of property	40,823.37	
Planning and zoning	3,471.78	
Judicial and legal expense	4,369.45	
Advertising and regional association	1,047.00	
PUBLIC SAFETY		
Police department	\$20,733.94	
Fire department	23,560.56	
Civil defense/emergency comm.	7,255.85	
HIGHWAYS, STREETS, BRIDGES		
General highway department	\$196,728.89	\$251,660.39
Street lighting	1,820.45	
SANITATION		
Solid waste disposal	\$89,518.51	
Health department	3,807.50	
Ambulances (Rescue)	3,350.00	
WELFARE		
General assistance	4,764.87	
CULTURE AND RECREATION		
Library	\$10,667.69	
Parks and recreation	21,370.48	
Town Commemoration Booklet	7,017.00	
Patriotic purposes	2,392.95	
DEBT SERVICE		
Principal long term bonds and notes	\$43,000.00	
Interest — long term bonds and notes	11,465.35	
Interest — tax anticipation notes	43,480.79	
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		
Payments to capital reserve — Loader	\$5,000.00	
Payments to capital reserve — Fire Truck	30,000.00	
MISCELLANEOUS		
FICA	\$15,588.25	
Insurance	31,918.74	
Unemployment compensation	745.20	

UNCLASSIFIED

Payments—Tax anticipation notes	\$950,000.00
Taxes bought by town	37,972.38
Discounts, abatements, refunds	10,015.89
Refund and payment—Yield tax escrow	3,853.75

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS

Taxes paid to county	\$176,705.00
Taxes paid to school district	311,295.00

TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR ALL PURPOSES \$2,030,255.39

GRAND TOTAL \$2,518,255.39

SCHEDULE OF LONG TERM INDEBTEDNESS
(As of December 31, 1989)

LONG-TERM NOTES OUTSTANDING

Camp Morgan Land Acquisition	\$140,000.00
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BONDS OUTSTANDING

Municipal Bond, 1988,	
Dump Closure and Valley Road	\$35,000.00
Valley Road Bond, 1989	
Reconstruction	125,000.00

TOTAL BONDS OUTSTANDING \$160,000.00

TOTAL LONG-TERM INDEBTEDNESS \$300,000.00

VITAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS

- 01-04-89 BOREY, AMANDA LYNN born to Louis J. Borey III and Deborah A. Whitney in Concord, NH.
- 01-30-89 DAVIS, ROSS IAN born to Roy A. Davis and Sara L. Spanos in Peterborough, NH.
- 02-27-89 GASKELL, ANDREW STEVEN born to Donald P. Gaskell and Sheryl Y. Chambers in Peterborough, NH.
- 03-02-89 FRASER, ROBERT JOEL born to Robert P. Fraser and Lorraine P. Marchand in Peterborough, NH.
- 05-05-89 BUTLER, GARY MICHAEL born to Maurice A. Butler and Laurie A. St. Lawrence in Concord, NH
- 05-20-89 GRIFFIN, DAVID PAUL born to Thomas J. Griffin and Barbara A. Noury in Peterborough, NH
- 07-06-89 GASKELL, JAMES LAWRENCE II born to Barbara E. Galpin in Concord, NH.
- 10-03-89 ECCARD, RYAN GEORGE born to George R. Eccard and Sandra A. Fischer, in Concord, NH.
- 10-17-89 HUCKINS, KELSEY ALANA born to Robert R. Huckins and Darcy L. Smith in Keene, NH
- 11-25-89 HUNT, MEAGAN ELIZABETH born to David H. Hunt and Kathleen Higgins, in Concord, NH.
- 12-25-89 PERHAM, TIMOTHY JAMES born to Daniel P. Perham and Cleopatra L. Borey in Hanover, NH.
- 12-26-89 BERNATAS, KATE born to David R. Bernatas and Donna L. McArthur in Concord, NH.

DEATHS

- 01-27-89 BROWN, CYNTHIA FRANCES in New London, NH Cremains buried in East Washington Cemetery. 70 years.
- 05-20-89 GRIFFIN, DAVID PAUL buried in Peterborough, NH.
- 06-28-89 JOHNSON, RUTH COOMBS in East Washington, NH. Cremains buried in Washington Cemetery. 82 years.
- 07-01-89 MURPHY, JOSEPH FRANCIS in Hillsboro, NH Buried in East Washington Cemetery. 82 years.
- 09-01-89 CLEWS, LAWRENCE P. in Newport, NH. Buried in Washington Center Cemetery. 73 years.
- 10-16-89 O'DONNELL, WILLIAM JOHN in Washington, NH Buried in New Ipswich, NH 28 years.
- 11-25-89 HUNT, MEAGHAN ELIZABETH in Concord, NH.

12-29-89 ASHLEY, LOTTIE R. in Newport, NH. Buried in Washington Center Cemetery. 65 years.

MARRIAGES

08-05-89 DANIEL P. PERHAM and CLEOPATRA L. BOREY East Washington, NH

12-28-89 GILBERT L. OLIVEIRA and SHARON CROWLEY in Nashua, NH.

Annual Reports of the

WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 1989

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SCHOOL DISTRICT ORGANIZATION

Moderator	Robert W. Crane II
Clerk	Diane Drew
Treasurer	Lynda Roy
School Board	
William Rhoades	Term Expires 1990
Larry Leizure	Term Expires 1991
Frances Smith	Term Expires 1992
Auditor	Elizabeth Wood
Superintendent of Schools	Ralph J. Minichiello
Teachers	
Mary Ann Nagy	Grades 1-2
Linda Nestler	Grades 3-5
Jeanne Daniel	Speech Therapist
Jane Johnson	Learning Disabilities
Donna Treat-Moul	Art
Joanne Dierauf	Music
Maureen Connell	Physical Education
Patricia Levitz	Aide
Sharon Crowley	Aide
School Psychologist	Robert Kelly
School Nurse	Helene Potthoff

SCHOOL WARRANT

To the inhabitants of the School District in the town of Washington qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Washington Town Hall in said District on the 10th day of March, 1990, at two o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

ARTICLE 1. To choose by nonpartisan ballot the following School District officials:

- A. One School Board Member -- 3-year term
- B. One School Board Member -- 2-year term
- C. One Moderator -- 1-year term
- D. One Clerk -- 1-year term
- E. One Treasurer -- 1-year term
- F. One Auditor -- 1-year term

ARTICLE 2. To see if the District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$658,500.00 (six hundred fifty-eight thousand five hundred dollars), said sum to be raised by the issuance of bonds or serial notes in accordance with the provisions of RSA:33, The Municipal Finance Act, said sum to be used for the design, construction original equipping, and related fees and expenses of a new elementary school building, Grades 1-5, all in accordance with the plans and designs as approved by the Washington School Board and on file at the School District office in Hillsboro, and further to appropriate to the purposes set forth in the bond issue any interest or income earned on the proceeds from the sale of the bonds, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to enter into an agreement with the Town of Washington for the purpose of acquiring and maintaining a building site and related areas at the Camp Morgan Property upon terms and conditions agreeable to both parties, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to convey to the Town of Washington the existing school facility, located on land of the Town at the Washington Common, upon terms and conditions acceptable to the School Board and to the Selectmen of the Town of Washington, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and fix the compensation for any other officers or agents of the District.

ARTICLE 6. To hear the reports of agents, auditors and committees or

officers chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools, the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the District will vote to authorize the School Board to apply for, accept and expend without further action of the School District meeting, money from any source which becomes available during the fiscal year upon the following conditions:

- A. The money must be used for the legal purposes for which the School District can appropriate money.
- B. The School Board must hold a public hearing in connection with any proposed expenditure of funds.
- C. It shall not require the expenditure of additional School District funds.

This action is taken pursuant to the authority of RSA 198:20b, or take any other action in relation thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Washington on this day of February, 1990.

FRANCES SMITH, Chairperson
LARRY LEIZURE
WILLIAM RHOADES

NOTE: This is a draft of the proposed warrant submitted for printing purposes prior to the actual deadline for completion of the warrant. Please consult officially posted warrants for the finalized version.

WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**STUDENT LIST 1989-1990****WASHINGTON CENTER SCHOOL****Readiness**

Jason Guay
Victoria Guay
Daniel Jackson
Jeffrey Paquin
Sandra Williams

Grade 3

Kevin Clough
Richard Dietrich
Jennifer Eastman
Nicholas Guay
Francis Rheinheimer
Christopher Rhoades

Grade 1

Douglas Cook
Laura Rheinheimer

Grade 4

Daniel Barker
Lucas Bouchard
Jessica Crane
Melanie Farella
Andrew Williams

Grade 2

Latrisha Clough
Benjamin Crane
Sarah Crowley
Anthony Farella

Grade 5

Sebastien Filion
Lori Goodspeed
Joshua Thornton

HILLSBORO-DEERING MIDDLE SCHOOL**Grade 6**

Caissie Bouchard
Amanda Farella
Kyle Iadonisi
Melissa Leizure
April Rock

Grade 7, continued

Jamie Monteiro
Melissa Pierce
David Rheinheimer
Amy Smith

Grade 7

Barbara Jo Bigwood
Kristin Corbett
Susan Eastman
Jennifer Gathercole
Ron Guay
Heather Madrack

Grade 8

Connie Barker
Maureen Carter
Jody Ciampa
Eric Farella
Karine Filion
George Sprague
Veronica Stetson

HILLSBORO-DEERING HIGH SCHOOL**Grade 9**

Jason Corbett
Bryan Eastman
Milan McNeil
Jason Richard
Holly Russell
Jeffrey Smith
Christopher Williams

Grade 10

Delilah Borey
James Dunton
Lori Guay
Gary Lawrence
Michael Niven
Kristopher Otterson

Grade 11

Kimberly Carter
Shea Curran
John Dunton
Lynn Goodspeed
Scott Goodspeed
Michael Iadonisi
Deborah Sprague
Heidi Wing
Jennifer Wright

Grade 12

Katherine Barker
Michael Blanchette
Abraham Borey
Shawn Cilley
Colin Jager
Jessica Monteiro
Scott Russell

WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT – 1990-91 PROPOSED BUDGET

	1988-89 Adopted Budget	1988-89 Actual Expenditures	1989-90 Adopted Budget	1990-91 Proposed Budget
REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS				
Teachers – Salary & Benefits	\$84,972	\$88,886.68	\$71,081	\$74,153
Substitutes – Salary & Taxes	1,076	483.50	718	728
Aides – Salary & Taxes	13,245	11,572.39	13,123	14,242
General Expenses	5,436	18,986.18	2,302	3,288
General Tuitions	123,382	110,528.19	210,332	241,515
Art	3,349	3,292.30	3,601	3,916
English	832	1,787.24	411	631
Math	214	197.60	404	651
Music	3,980	4,503.30	3,171	3,776
Physical Education	3,024	2,491.84	3,571	3,996
Reading	1,251	2,718.31	1,897	1,131
Readiness	0	56.45	94	175
Science	553	476.95	379	930
Social Studies	186	1,419.54	446	658
Learning Disabilities	130	327.57	104	136
SUBTOTAL – Regular Instruction	\$241,630	\$247,728.04	\$311,634	\$349,926
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
LD Teacher – Salary & Benefits	\$6,978	\$8,023.47	\$10,205	\$10,550
Physical Therapy	2,565	2,857.50	3,330	3,500
Occupational Therapy/Tutoring	1,800	1,293.75	1,188	3,500
Out-of-District Tuitions	49,926	20,338.96	21,023	23,100
Additional Equipment	758	0.00	0	0
Summer Program Salary/Tuitions	351	449.73	498	750
Summer Program Transportation	360	120.00	396	168
SUBTOTAL – Special Education	\$62,738	\$33,083.41	\$36,640	\$41,568
OTHER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS				
Preschool Assessment	\$ 200	\$ 0.00	\$ 200	\$ 200
General Testing Supplies	100	0.00	100	110
Nurse – Salary & Benefits	862	860.64	948	1,042
Nursing Expenses	310	0.00	310	310
Psychological Pupil Services	6,151	5,758.35	6,937	7,630
Speech Therapy	2,323	0.00	1,279	3,500
SUBTOTAL – Other Educ. Program	\$9,946	\$6,619.02	\$9,774	\$12,792
STAFF DEVELOPMENT				
Tuition Reimbursement	\$200	\$290.00	\$1,000	\$1,000
LIBRARY/MEDIA				
Librarian – Salary & Benefits	\$2,500	\$0.00	\$2,692	\$2,960
Library Expenses	2,875	8,822.98	1,923	1,344
SUBTOTAL – Library	\$5,375	\$8,822.98	\$4,615	\$4,304

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES

Board Members Salary	1,950	1,950.00	1,950	1,950
Board Secretary Salary	480	480.00	480	480
Auditors	75	0.00	75	75
Census	0	0.00	277	0
Legal Fees	1,000	357.60	1,000	750
School Board Expenses	550	98.62	300	300
Article #5 — Bldg. Committee	3,000	3,275.00	0	0
Board Clerk Salary	40	0.00	40	40
Treasurer Salary	250	250.00	250	300
Treasurer's Expenses	325	260.00	300	325
Moderator Salary	56	0.00	56	56
Checklist & Ballot Clerk Salary	240	251.95	240	260
Printing	250	107.55	250	250
SUBTOTAL — School Board Service	\$8,216	\$7,030.72	\$5,218	\$4,786

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE

SAU #34	\$28,391	\$28,391.00	\$24,992	\$24,610
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OTHER DISTRICT SERVICES

Workers' Compensation Policy	\$ 582	\$ 692.00	\$ 525	\$ 650
Unemployment Compensation	400	0.00	4,056	400
Advertising	1,500	2,885.81	1,500	1,500
SUBTOTAL — Other Services	\$2,482	\$3,577.81	\$6,081	\$2,550

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Head Teacher — Salary & Benefits	\$2,164	\$2,148.90	\$ 0	\$0
Office Expenses	125	192.58	175	0
Graduation Supplies	200	300.62	0	0
SUBTOTAL — School Administration	\$2,489	\$2,642.10	\$175	\$0

UPKEEP OF BUILDING

Custodial Service	\$ 5,301	\$ 4,930.00	\$ 4,219	\$ 4,473
Utilities	759	704.05	759	774
Repairs & Maintenance	400	2,850.22	1,700	800
Property Insurance	1,800	2,286.00	2,000	2,500
Supplies/Telephone	1,450	1,273.96	1,066	1,172
Gas	2,500	2,080.52	500	500
Fuel Oil	1,600	889.47	1,600	1,300
Article #9 — Fire Alarm System	2,135	2,050.00	0	0
SUBTOTAL — Upkeep of Building	\$15,945	\$17,064.22	\$11,844	\$11,519

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

General Transportation	\$41,862	\$44,690.00	\$43,320	\$44,490
Special Education Transportation	9,576	1,392.14	2,160	2,376
Field Trips/PE Transportation	300	2,534.91	2,200	2,580
SUBTOTAL — Pupil Transportation	\$51,738	\$48,617.05	\$47,680	\$49,446

BLOCK GRANT	\$1,610	\$0.00	\$1,650	\$0
NEW SCHOOL EXPENSES				
Custodial/Grounds Upkeep	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$3,077
Property Insurance	\$0	0.00	\$0	\$3,009
Utilities	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,100</u>
SUBTOTAL — New School Expenses	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$11,186
DEBT SERVICE				
Debt Principal	\$0	\$0.00	\$0	\$0
Debt Interest	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$22,587</u>
TOTAL APPROPRIATION:	<u>\$430,760</u>	<u>\$403,866.35</u>	<u>\$461,303</u>	<u>\$536,274</u>
BOND ISSUE — New SCHOOL BUILDING				\$658,500
REVENUE				
Transportation Service			\$3,243	\$3,268
Tuition			4,200	0
Block Grant			1,650	0
BOND Proceeds			<u>0</u>	<u>658,500</u>
TOTAL REVENUE:			<u>\$9,093</u>	<u>\$661,768</u>
AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION			\$452,210	\$533,006
DOLLAR INCREASE				\$80,796
percentage increase				17.9%

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER
Fiscal Year July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989

General Fund		
Cash on Hand July 1, 1988 (Treasurer's Bank Balance)		\$ 40,211.49
Received from Selectmen	\$401,295.00	
Received NOW Interest	2,439.09	
Received from Tuitions & Transportation	9,692.00	
Received from Other Sources	5,769.52	
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	\$419,195.61	
TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR FISCAL YEAR:		\$459,407.10
LESS SCHOOL BOARD ORDERS PAID:		\$316,113.39
Balance on Hand June 30, 1989		\$143,293.71

Respectfully Submitted,

July 7, 1989

LYNDA B. ROY, Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Washington of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1989, and find them correct in all respects.

August 9, 1989

ELIZABETH A. WOOD

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

FROM WHOM	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
BankEast	Interest	\$ 2,439.09
Town of Washington	Appropriation	401,295.00
Stoddard School District	Tuition & Transportation	9,692.00
Windsor School District	Transportation	1,220.00
Miscellaneous	voids, refunds	92.08
SAU #34	Grant Reimbursement	70.15
Linda Neslter	DC Trip Receipts	1,984.00
Project Second Start	Tuition Reimbursement	2,383.29
Library Arts Center	Miscellaneous	20.00
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		\$419,195.61

**1988-89 ACTUAL EXPENDITURES
DETAIL ACCOUNT LISTING**

	1988-89 Actual Detail	1988-89 Actual Sub-Total	1988-89 Actual TOTALS
REGULAR INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS			
Teachers - Salary & Benefits			\$88,886.68
Salary:		\$75,059.20	
Richard Lathrop	\$31,049.20		
Mary Ann Nagy	26,460.00		
Linda Nestler	7,550.00		
Health Insurance:		\$7,166.68	
Hillsboro-Deering Coop	7,166.68		
Retirement:		\$606.05	
NH Retirement System	606.05		
FICA:		\$6,054.75	
Bank of NH	6,054.75		
Substitutes - Salary & Taxes			\$483.50
Salary:		\$450.00	
K. Foster	\$450.00		
FICA:		\$33.50	
Bank of NH	\$33.50		
Aides - Salary & Taxes			\$11,572.39
Salary:		\$10,770.50	
S. Crowley	\$5,088.75		
J. Leslie	148.00		
P. Levitz	5,533.75		
FICA:		\$801.89	
Bank of NH	\$801.89		
General Expenses			\$18,986.18
Assemblies:		\$1,659.38	
R. Lathrop			
(Mt. Washington)	\$520.00		
SAU #34 (DC Trip)	1,000.00		
Sweet Pipes	109.38		
M. Nagy	30.00		
Supplies:		\$2,790.16	
N. E. School Supply	\$1,709.96		
Postmaster	6.50		

DC Heath & Company	58.33	
Sundance	128.37	
Valley Home Center	3.35	
Town of Washington	308.98	
J. Leslie-Petty Cash	1.50	
Perma bound	434.34	
L. Nestler	138.83	
Additional Equipment		\$2,560.50
Conn Valley Office		
Machines	2,560.50	
Replacement Equipment		\$11,976.14
R. Lathrop	\$ 40.00	
Criteria	11,862.49	
N.E. School Supply	73.65	
General Tuitions		\$110,528.19
Elementary School Tuitions:		\$3,198.00
Marlow School District	\$3,198.00	
High School Tuitions:		\$107,330.19
Hillsboro-Deering		
Cooperative		\$105,830.19
Newport School District	1,500.00	
Art		\$3,292.30
Salary:		\$2,848.00
D. Treat-Moul	\$2,848.00	
Supplies:		\$444.30
JL Hammett	\$444.30	
English		\$1,787.24
Supplies:		\$145.61
Modern Curriculum Press	\$70.39	
N.E. School Supply	64.40	
The Perfection Form Co.	10.82	
Books:		\$1,641.63
The Perfection Form Co.	298.66	
Harcourt, Brace		
Jovanovich	79.66	
McDougal, Littell & Co.	755.09	
Zaner Bloser	508.12	
Math		\$197.60
Supplies:		\$65.92
N.E. School Supply	\$65.92	
Text Books:		\$43.91

DC Heath & Company	\$43.91	
Additional Equipment		\$87.77
Cuisenaire Co. of America	87.77	
Music		\$4,503.30
Salary:		\$3,500.00
R. Sweeney	3,500.00	
FICA:		\$260.58
Bank of NH	\$260.58	
Supplies:		\$582.72
Sweet Pipes	\$ 5.50	
R. Sweeney	677.22	
Additional Equipment:		\$60.00
Eugene Roe	\$60.00	
Physical Education		\$2,491.84
Salary:		\$2,417.00
P. Swasey	\$2,417.00	
Supplies:		\$74.84
N.E. School Supply	\$74.84	
Reading		\$2,718.31
Supplies:		\$337.37
Harcourt, Brace,		
Jovanovich	\$ 10.98	
The Wright Group	290.40	
Sundance	35.99	
Text Books:		\$1,889.45
The Wright Group	\$ 158.40	
Sundance	47.59	
Modern Curriculum Press	229.04	
Silver Burdett	1,253.13	
Scholastic	179.54	
R. Lathrop	21.75	
Additional Equipment		\$491.49
Houghton-Mifflin Co.	\$293.72	
DLM Teaching Resources	25.14	
N.E. School Supply	172.63	
Readiness		\$56.45
Supplies:		\$56.45
N.E. School Supply	\$56.45	
Science		\$476.95
Text Books:		\$386.59
Delta Education	\$386.59	

Additional Equipment		\$90.36
N.E. School Supply	\$90.36	
Social Studies		\$1,419.54
Supplies:		\$426.71
Hearne Brothers	\$218.55	
N.E. School Supply	116.31	
Scholastic Prof. Mag.	91.85	
Text Books:		\$992.83
Soc. Studies Sch. Serv.	\$ 47.90	
Steck-Vaughn Company	163.10	
National Geographic Soc.	283.50	
Follett Library Book Co.	417.94	
Baker & Taylor	80.39	
Learning Disabilities		\$327.57
Supplies:		\$327.57
Allan Kendall's Inc.	\$ 8.98	
Sir Speedy	22.23	
R. Lathrop	49.99	
Curriculum Associates	15.77	
Holt Co., Inc.	62.93	
Modern Curriculum Press	167.67	
SPECIAL EDUCATION		
LD Teacher - Salary & Benefits		\$8,023.47
Salary:		\$7,467.50
J. Johnson	\$7,467.50	
FICA:		\$555.97
Bank of NH	\$555.97	
Physical Therapy		\$2,857.50
Physical Therapist:		\$2,857.50
Hillsboro-Deering		
(D. Stebbings)	\$2,857.50	
Occupational Therapy		\$907.50
Therapist:		\$907.50
Hillsboro-Deering	\$907.50	
Special Tutoring		\$386.25
Tutors:		\$386.25
D. Hume	\$386.25	

Out-of-District Tuitions		\$20,338.96
Elementary Out-of-District		\$8,543.00
Hillsboro-Deering Coop.	\$8,543.00	
High School Out-of-District		\$11,795.96
Project Second Start	1,198.98	
Hillsboro-Deering Coop	10,488.76	
Treas., State of NH	108.22	

Summer Program Salary/Tuitions		\$449.73
Consultant:		\$270.00
Hillsboro-Deering Coop.	\$270.00	
Tuitions:		\$179.73
Hillsboro-Deering Coop.	\$179.73	

Summer Program Transportation		\$120.00
Transportation:		\$120.00
K. Bigwood	\$120.00	

OTHER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

Nurse - Salary & Benefits		\$860.64
Salary:		\$801.00
J. Congreve	\$801.00	
FICA:		\$59.64
Bank of NH	\$59.64	

Psychological Pupil Services		\$5,758.38
Psychological Services:		\$5,758.38
Hillsboro-Deering Coop.	\$5,758.38	

STAFF DEVELOPMENT

Tuition Reimbursement		\$290.00
Tuition Reimbursement:		\$290.00
R. Lathrop	\$290.00	

LIBRARY/MEDIA

Library Expenses:		\$8,822.98
M. Nagy	\$ 352.16	
Dartmouth Bookstore	379.19	
National Geographic Soc.	1,137.57	
L. Nestler	219.60	
National Wildlife Fed.	122.15	
AIMS Media	297.70	
Baker & Taylor	2233.24	

Encyclopedia Britannica	311.00
Perma Bound	337.47
Sundance	2,069.47
World Almanac Education	1,730.47
MacMillan Publishing Co.	38.35
Follett Library Book Co.	1,414.41
Children's Press	190.20

SCHOOL BOARD SERVICES

Board Members Salary		\$1,950.00
Salary:		\$1,950.00
L. Leizure	\$650.00	
W. Rhoades	650.00	
F. Smith	650.00	
Board Secretary Salary		\$480.00
Salary:		\$480.00
D. Drew	\$480.00	
Legal Fees		\$357.60
Legal:		\$357.60
Hatfield, Bosse & Moran, P.A.	\$357.60	
School Board Expenses		\$3,373.62
Expenses:		\$98.62
AOHS	\$50.00	
SAU #34	48.62	
Article #5 - Bldg Comm:		\$3,275.00
Weber Excavation	\$ 125.00	
Premier Printing	150.00	
Richard Monahan, AIA	3,000.00	
Treasurer Salary		\$250.00
Salary:		\$250.00
L. Roy	\$250.00	
Treasurer's Expenses		\$260.00
Fidelity Bond:		\$50.00
McCrillis & Eldredge		
Insurance	\$50.00	
Supplies:		\$210.00
L. Roy	\$125.00	
Brown & Saltmarsh	85.00	

Checklist & Ballot Clerk Salary		\$251.95
Salary:		\$251.95
J.E. Wright	\$ 22.50	
H. Drew	22.50	
Town of Washington	206.95	

Printing		\$107.55
Printing:		\$107.55
Town of Washington	\$13.80	
Pherus Press	93.75	

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE		\$28,391.00
District's Share:		\$28,391.00
SAU #34	\$28,391.00	

OTHER DISTRICT SERVICES

Workers' Compensation Policy		\$692.00
Insurance Policy:		\$692.00
Knapton & Sterling	\$692.00	

Advertising		\$2,885.81
Advertising:		\$2,885.81
Argus Champion	\$ 474.50	
The News Messenger	1,322.51	
Concord Monitor	710.29	
Monadnock Ledger	13.00	
Union Leader	306.50	
Monadnock Shopper-News	29.25	
Keene Sentinel	29.76	

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

Head Teacher - Salary & Benefits		\$2,148.90
Salary:		\$2,000.00
R. Lathrop	\$2,000.00	
FICA:		\$148.90
Bank of NH	\$148.90	

Office Expenses		\$192.58
Postage:		\$172.58
P. Levitz-Petty Cashier	\$172.58	
Travel:		\$20.00
J. Johnson	\$20.00	

Graduation Supplies		\$300.62
Supplies:		\$300.62
Josten's	\$ 82.88	
L. Nestler	164.74	
Windsor Nursery	53.00	

UPKEEP OF BUILDING

Custodial Service		\$4,930.00
Salary:		\$4,930.00
J. Borey	\$4,930.00	
Utilities		\$704.05
Electricity:		\$704.05
Public Service of NH	\$704.05	
Repairs & Maintenance		\$2,850.22
Repairs:		\$2,850.22
Allston Supply Company	\$104.05	
Deering Sheet Metal	175.00	
Yeaton & Maine	190.00	
Mamakating Elec. Co.	610.58	
Valley Home Center	4.77	
Louis Borey	225.00	
Town of Washington	1,340.82	
Hillsboro-Deering School District	200.00	
Property Insurance		\$2,286.00
Policy:		\$2,286.00
Knapton & Sterling	\$2,286.00	
Supplies/Telephone		\$1,273.96
Telephone:		\$459.62
Granite State Tel.	\$452.43	
R. Lathrop	7.19	
Supplies:		\$814.34
Central Paper Products	240.80	
George T. Johnson Co.	31.50	
Valley Home Center	314.60	
Bldg. Maintenance Assoc.	64.10	
Gaskell's General Store	136.35	
J. Borey	26.99	

Gas		\$2,080.52	
Gas Utility:			\$2,080.52
Town of Washington	\$2,080.52		

Fuel Oil			\$889.47
Oil:		\$889.47	
JB Vaillancourt	\$889.47		

Install Alarm System			\$2,050.00
New Equipment:		\$2,050.00	
Mamakating Elec. Co.	\$2,050.00		

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION

General Transportation			\$44,690.00
Private Transportation		\$5,690.00	
M. Davis	\$3,530.00		
K. Bigwood	2,160.00		
To and From School:		\$39,000.00	
Valley Transportation	\$39,000.00		

Special Education Transportation			\$1,392.14
Transportation:		\$1,392.14	
Hillsboro-Deering			
School District	\$1,392.14		
Field Trips/PE Transportation			\$2,534.91
Transportation:		\$2,534.91	
Valley Transportation	\$2,534.91		

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS' ANNUAL MESSAGE

To the Citizens of the Town of Washington:

This school year opened with the sixth, seventh and eighth grade students attending the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School for the first time. My observations indicate that the students are finding this experience challenging and exciting. They have adapted well to their new environment and have represented their community very well. Comments from the staff at the Middle School have been very positive about the Washington children's behavior, academic background and commitment to learning.

This year you will again be asked to decide if it is time to build a new elementary school for the children of the town. The Building Committee and the School Board have worked diligently to bring forth a building proposal that is economical and well-designed, and which will serve the needs of the children and the community for many years to come. From a financial point of view, the sharp drop in construction cost and lowering of interest rates for municipalities make it a very advantageous time for school construction.

I wish to thank the school staff for their high level of commitment to the children of Washington. Mrs. Nagy and Mrs. Nestler are to be commended for their tireless effort in coordinating the curriculum and assuring that the students receive a quality education. The community can feel proud that their children are experiencing the instruction of two fine educators.

Lastly, the School Board is to be commended for their efforts on behalf of the children. It is a pleasure working with people who inspire one to pursue improving the education system. They are truly "trustees of the children" who place the well-being of the children as their top priority.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH J. MINICHELLO
Supt. of Schools

S.A.U. #34 PROPOSED ADMINISTRATIVE SALARIES
1990-1991

Superintendent of Schools	\$59,546.00
Business Administrator	43,092.00
TOTAL	\$102,638.00

District Assessment of Administrative Salaries

Hillsboro-Deering	\$90,096.00
Washington	11,649.00
Windsor	893.00

BALANCE SHEET
Fund Balance/Revenue & Expenditures
July 1, 1988 to June 30, 1989

Fund Balance July 1, 1988		\$18,625.09
REVENUES:		
Current Appropriations	\$401,295.00	
Tuition	7,692.00	
Interest Income	2,439.09	
Transportation	3,220.00	
Other Local Revenue	<u>182.23</u>	
Total Revenue		\$414,828.32
A/R from 1987-88		\$2,737.53
Total Money Available		\$436,190.94

EXPENDITURES:		
Regular Instruction	\$247,728.04	
Special Education	33,083.41	
Health Services	860.64	
Psychological Services	5,758.38	
Improvement of Instruction	290.00	
Library Services	8,822.98	
School Board Services	7,030.72	
Office of the Superintendent	28,391.00	
Administration	6,219.91	
Building Maintenance & Operation	17,064.22	
Pupil Transportation	<u>\$48,617.05</u>	
Total 1988-89 Expenditures:		\$403,866.35
Fund Balance June 30, 1989		\$32,324.59

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #34 1990-91 BUDGET

	1989-90 Budget	Summary 1990-91 Budget
STAFF DEVELOPMENT		
Staff Development	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000
SAU BOARD SERVICES		
Audit Fees	1,700	1,800
Board Liability Insurance	2,592	2,592
Fidelity Bond	431	431
SUB-TOTAL – Board Services	\$ 4,723	\$ 4,823
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE EXPENSE		
Superintendent Salary	\$ 56,710	\$ 59,546
Business Administrator Salary	41,040	43,092
Office Staff Salary	37,694	39,578
Health Insurance	9,110	12,576
Worker's Compensation Insurance	850	915
NH Retirement	3,616	3,556
FICA	10,362	10,836
Unemployment Compensation	756	336
In-Service Education	1,000	1,000
Legal Fees	1,100	500
Computer Repair & Maint.	3,500	3,200
Equipment Lease	7,962	7,668
Travel	750	750
Out-of-District Travel	500	650
Telephone	2,400	3,060
Postage	1,000	1,487
Advertising	500	300
General Supplies	4,600	4,000
Computer Supplies	2,820	2,200
Periodicals	450	450
Office Equipment	1,520	200
Dues & Fees	628	615
Contingency	2,000	1,000
SUB-TOTAL – Office Expense	\$190,868	\$197,515
BUILDING EXPENSES		
Custodial Services	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
Equipment Repairs & Maint.	950	1,000
Office Rental	10,000	10,000
Property Insurance	375	375
Custodial Supplies	300	100
Electricity	500	500
SUB-TOTAL – Building Expense	\$ 13,625	\$ 13,475
TOTAL -- S.A.U. #34	\$211,216	\$217,813

FEDERAL PROJECTS

Chapter I	\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
94-142	24,200	24,200
Chapter 2	11,500	11,500

SUB-TOTAL	\$ 95,700	\$ 95,700
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TOTAL 1989-90 BUDGET	<u>\$306,916</u>	<u>\$313,513</u>
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REVENUES

Federal Projects	\$ 95,700	\$ 95,700
Interest Earned	1,000	1,000

DISTRICT ASSESSMENT	<u>\$210,216</u>	<u>\$216,813</u>
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S.A.U. #34 PRORATION OF EXPENSES

OPERATING BUDGET 1989-90

District	1988 Equalized Valuation	Valuation %	1988/89 A.D.M. Pupils	Pupil %	Combined %	District Share
Hillsboro-Deering	\$319,908.860	79.54%	1,115.5	96.02%	87.78%	\$190,321
Washington	75,311.653	18.72%	46.2	3.98%	11.35%	24,610
Windsor	6,981.170	1.74%	0.0	0.00%	0.87%	1,882
TOTALS	\$402,201.683	100.00%	1,161.7	100.00%	100.00%	\$216,813

SCHOOL BOARD MESSAGE

Another year at the Washington Center School is nearly over, and while much stays the same, much has also changed.

Linda Nestler, returning to teach our intermediate class of grades 3, 4, and 5, has faced a large task of adjusting to teaching a completely different type of student. The adjustments appear to have been successfully made, and many good things are happening in the classroom.

Mary Ann Nagy found herself with one less grade level in her primary classroom, but she has kept the same number of students. An outstanding job continues to be done getting our children off to an excellent start on their education.

Patricia Levitz and Sharon Crowley have returned to continue their excellent job as classroom aides, while Donna Treat-Moul continues to bring color and imagination to the art program.

Three new faces this year include Joanne Dierauf head our music program, Maureen Connell as the physical education teacher, and Helene Pottoff in the nursing position.

Another change is the attendance of the middle school students at the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School. While many of the extra-curricular activities at the Middle School have been cut, the academic programs have introduced them to areas which could never be offered by our small system.

New programs at the Washington Center School include a snack program begun in January, and a series of arts performances to be held in the spring. The shows will be funded by a block grant applied for by Mrs. Nestler and Mrs. Nagy.

Coming in to either classroom, you are hit with the sight of cases filled with books, educational videos, new computers with software, and just enough room for the rest of the furniture and the children. Music instruction still takes place in the Town Hall, art materials are kept there, and the Readiness class still uses its space for its program.

The building committee, most of whose members have no children enrolled in the Washington School system, has once again been hard at work with the Merganser Corporation, designing a building that would best suit the needs of our district at a reasonable price. Enrollment projections based on the latest census indicate nearly a doubling of the current enrollment in just five years. Our 110-year-old building with its two rooms will be totally inadequate in just a few years, and the Board sincerely seeks your support on this bond.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES SMITH
WILLIAM RHOADES
LARRY LEIZURE

SCHOOL NURSE'S REPORT

The school year has been very busy so far for the health screening and education program at the Washington Center School. The first day of school everyone's head was checked for lice. None found! That doesn't mean we are safe for the year. Please remind students not to borrow combs or brushes and not to wear anyone else's hat or cap. All itchy heads should be reported so they can be checked right away.

September 6 also marked the beginning of organizing and updating health records. All immunizations are up to date, and the records should be complete this winter. Thanks to all parents for their help in getting documents accurate.

October 3 was the date of a program on personal hygiene that included a short talk and a game for the students. The theme of "good grooming" will be continued through the school year.

On November 7 a vision check was held. The parents of students who did not pass the screening were notified, and the results were discussed over the phone.

December 12 was the date for a hearing screening. Any student who did not pass this screening was tested again on January 9. This second testing is recommended by the State since statistics show that 50% of the students not passing the hearing test have normal hearing but the test results were affected by other factors, such as head colds.

Future scheduling includes a program on skin care, including hair and nail care, and a dental program. The early spring will be devoted to a workshop on nutrition, followed by a measurement of the height and weight of each student. The following months will focus on each of the four food groups, stressing the importance of a balanced diet. A first aid course, including water safety, will be the last scheduled activity.

It is my hope that the children will benefit from having a nurse at the school on a regular basis. A special thanks to Linda Nestler for her willingness to help with scheduling and also to Jean Congreve for all her support.

Respectfully submitted,

HELENE POTTHOFF, R.N.

HEAD TEACHER'S REPORT

This is the first year Washington Center School has been without the sixth, seventh and eighth graders. I, for one, dearly miss them. The school as a whole is quieter; the playing field, emptier. I am sure the Hillsboro-Deering schools appreciate the fine young adults they have acquired.

As part of the restructuring, Mary Ann Nagy teaches readiness, first and second grades. I am teaching the third, fourth and fifth grades. We may have only 25 students, but they are a lively, talkative, enthusiastic group which we thoroughly enjoy teaching. We never seem to have a dull moment; they keep us on our toes.

We are pleased this year to have three new staff members: Maureen Connell teaches physical education, and Joanne Dierauf, music. Helene Potthoff is our new nurse. We appreciate their efforts to provide necessary skills, and in the case of Mrs. Potthoff, health care.

I'd like to acknowledge other people who have been on the staff for a year or more: Jane Johnson, special education teacher; Audrey Knapp, occupational therapist; Donna Treat-Moul, art teacher; Patricia Levitz, primary room aide and school secretary; and Sharon Crowley, intermediate room aide.

In the primary room the whole language approach to education is utilized. This method advocates the teaching of children from the whole to the part; therefore conceptualization of problems becomes easier. The program utilizes a variety of media, such as books, pictures, records, audio and visual tapes, and the computer. Providing students with the opportunity to practice communication is the focus of this method of teaching.

Students develop communication skills, written as well as spoken, through journal-keeping, discussion, dramatization, mural-making, and editing the works of others. This whole language approach is incorporated into all subjects including science, social studies and math.

This is my first year as third, fourth and fifth grade teacher. I have discovered that the move upstairs is a big change for most of these students. Learning to take responsibility for completion of assignments, as well as allocation of time spent on tasks, have become major undertakings. The children have learned that daily work not completed in school becomes homework. Most of the children have adjusted to this idea nicely.

The students in third through fifth grades are reading on levels that vary from second through sixth grades. They use a program entitled "The World of Reading." I schedule as much free reading time as possible. The program provides students with a variety of reading materials designed for improvement of decoding, vocabulary building, comprehension and thinking skills.

In the intermediate grades, proper usage of the English language is emphasized through formal as well as informal means. Use of standard English texts and spelling books emphasizes the development of needed writing skills. Students they practice these skills as they create stories and poems.

The Silver-Burdette math series allows students to sequentially develop

computation and problem-solving skills. The range of subject matter taught in science and social studies is traditional, yet does reflect current events.

This year marks a change in the report card format. The purpose of revising the form is to help parents gain a clearer, more precise picture of how their children are doing in school. The children are now graded on a wider range of skills and social/emotional behaviors. Response to the new report card has been favorable.

Mrs. Nagy and I decided that this would be the year of the performing arts at Washington Center School. We hope to introduce the students to a variety of artists from whom they can gain first-hand knowledge and appreciation of the arts. Hopefully, a block grant will finance this endeavor.

We plan to bring the following performances to the school: Smiling Faces Productions, blending magic with storytelling and American folk literature; Kitchensink Mime Theater, concentrating on nonverbal arts of communication and interpretation; Hampstead Players, presenting "Robin Hood"; Don Grady Production, featuring marionettes; and Sam and Spiff, a clowning act.

The focus on cultural awareness began in mid-December, when the entire school traveled to the Hopkins Center in Hanover for the marionette production of "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King," performed by the Bennington Players. Just witnessing the children's reaction to the trip indicates that our performing arts year will be a winner.

Our school-wide goal is to involve the students more with the community and its resources. We have visited the Shedd Free Library for presentations on poetry, music and storytelling. Betty Brighton was instrumental in arranging these presentations given by Jim and Ellen Hofford. The students really appreciated their efforts. Once again we hope to have an intern from the Harris Center sharing knowledge of nature with the students.

We would like to thank all the members of the members of the community for their support and interest in the children of Washington Center School.

Respectfully submitted,

LINDA NESTLER, Head Teacher

WASHINGTON SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNUAL MEETING

March 11, 1989

The meeting was opened by Moderator Robert Crane II at 2 P.M. The warrant was read. The ballot box was inspected and passed to the ballot clerks, Joellen Wright and Hazel Drew. The Assistant Moderator was G. Michael Otterson and the Assistant Clerk was Wendy Otterson. Mr. Crane then introduced the School Board: Frances Smith, William Rhoades and Larry Leizure. He also introduced Ralph Minichiello, Superintendent of SAU #34. The polls were closed at 6 P.M. with the following results:

ARTICLE 1:	Votes
Moderator--Robert Crane II	97
Clerk--Diane Drew	101
Treasurer--Lynda B. Roy	96
School Board, 3 yrs.--Frances Smith	99
Auditor--Betty Wood	9

Total votes cast were 106

ARTICLE 2: Frances Smith moved and Larry Leizure seconded to take up Article 4 prior to considering Article 2. Motion carried by voice vote at 2:14 P.M.

ARTICLE 4: Frances Smith moved that the District authorize the School Board to sign a contract to tuition Grades 6-8 to the Hillsboro-Deering Middle School, subject to terms and conditions agreed upon between the District and the Hillsboro-Deering School District. Seconded by Larry Leizure. Mrs. Smith then explained how the formula was arrived at and a hand-out was available. The agreement is for 3 years and automatically renewable. A 24 months' notice will be given if the agreement is not being renewed. She explained that the highest impact year would be the first year with 18 students, possible 23. The Washington District would still be in charge of the transportation. It was agreed that no negotiations would be done with any other District

Mr. Hofford asked what the total cost would be. The Board has budgeted \$94,542 (ninety-four thousand, five hundred forty-two dollars). That does not include transportation costs, which will not increase.

Mr. Bob Crane questioned the discrepancy in the hand-out figures and the motion. Mr. Wayne Emerson, Business Administrator of SAU #34, explained that the Hillsboro-Deering rate had not been set prior to the hand-out being done and that it had gone down. Mr. Crane thought there would most likely be more than 23 students. He moved to dismiss the article. Seconded by Mr. Barker.

Mr. Don Gaskell pointed out that it was less expensive to send them to Hillsboro-Deering.

Mr. Barker said it was like paying rent--not much to show in the end.

Mrs. Goodspeed asked if the Board felt that the students could get a better education in Hillsboro. Mrs. Smith replied that they could get a better "all around" education.

Mr. Ashley stated that they could get a better education here.

Mr. Rhoades stated that the advantage is breadth of subjects, not necessarily the teachers. He stated that incrementally, the dollars and cents cost is \$2900 (twenty-nine hundred dollars) per student additional vs. \$5900 (fifty-nine hundred dollars) to keep them here.

Mr. Hofford noted the savings.

Mr. Bob Crane pointed out that there are a lot of other fixed costs that are not changing and that we were certainly not saving six thousand dollars.

Mr. Russell stated that the "proof of the pudding" is getting the students to Hillsboro-Deering for a better education.

The motion to dismiss failed by voice vote at 2:35 P.M.

Mr. Bob Crane asked if Hillsboro-Deering can tell us this year that they will not take us in 2 years. Mrs. Smith said they have guaranteed us 3 years.

Mrs. Jurson requested that a ballot clerk receive her father's ballot, as he is infirm. Permission granted.

Mr. Wright spoke in favor of the article.

The article passed by voice vote at 2:40 P.M.

ARTICLE 2: Mr. Rhoades moved that the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$805,115.00 (eight hundred five thousand, one hundred fifteen dollars), said sum to be raised by the issuance of bonds or serial notes in accordance with the provisions of RSA: 33, the Municipal Finance Act, said sum to be used for the design, construction, original equipping and related fees and expenses of a new Elementary School building, all in accordance with the plans and designs as approved by the Washington School Board and on file at the School District office in Hillsboro, and further to appropriate to the purpose set forth in the bond issue any interest or income earned on the proceeds from the sale of the bond. Seconded by Frances Smith. Mr. Rhoades then spoke about the space needs, about possible future enrollment, and about the facilities need. Encouraged voters to approve the 3-room plan. He noted that the contractors are slow now and we could get more value for the dollar. He noted that in spite of being proud of the accomplishments over the past year, now is the time for the new school. He stated that the most significant tax impact would be in the third year with a total of \$3 per \$1,000 of assessed value. Noted that it would give us a substantial asset. Also noted that it would be a community facility as well. The Washington Youth Association would donate a substantial dollar amount to the cost and David Hunt, of Hunt's Well Drilling, had offered to dig a new well at his cost. He then asked the Moderator's permission for the architect, Rick Monahon, to speak. The Moderator agreed.

Mr. Monahon then explained the design and answered many questions from the voters who had not been to the other hearings, where most of the questions had been previously answered. A general discussion then ensued

with people speaking in favor of, and against. Mr. Wright moved to dismiss the article. Mr. Hofford seconded. A paper ballot was taken. 142 ballots cast; 81 no, 60 yes, and 1 unable to be read. The article was not dismissed.

The polls were opened at 4:30 P.M. and closed at 5:30 P.M. 144 votes cast. Needed to pass, 96. Yes: 82. No: 62. The motion failed at 5:40 P.M.

ARTICLE 3: Mr. Rhoades moved that the District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$695,058.00 (six hundred ninety-five thousand, fifty-eight dollars), said sum to be raised by the issuance of bonds or serial notes in accordance with the provisions of RSA: 33, the Municipal Finance Act, said sum to be used for the design, construction, original equipping and related fees and expense of a new Elementary School building, all in accordance with the plans and designs as approved by the Washington School Board and on file at the School District Office in Hillsboro, and further to appropriate to the purposes set forth in the bond issue any interest or income earned on the proceeds from the sale of the bond. Seconded by Frances Smith. A general discussion again ensued re: the merits and problems of funding a new building. The polls opened at 5:50 P.M. and closed at 6:50 P.M. Total votes cast: 147. Needed to pass: 98. Yes: 85. No: 62. Motion failed at 7:10 P.M.

The Moderator then introduced the Building Committee: Bill Rhoades, Bill Bouchard, Ethel Crane and Clark Smith, and a round of applause was given for a job well done.

ARTICLE 5: Bob Crane moved to dismiss the article. Larry Leizure seconded. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:14 P.M. Article relevant to an agreement with the Town for the building site.

ARTICLE 6: Larry Leizure moved to dismiss the article. Vivian Clark seconded. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:15 P.M. Article relevant to the present school and grounds.

ARTICLE 7: Mr. Bob Crane moved that the District transfer to the Washington Historical Society, subject to terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the District and the Society, title to the East Washington School, located in East Washington, N. H. Seconded by Larry Leizure. Mrs. Smith then explained how the article came about and the general conditions that have been discussed. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:16 P.M.

ARTICLE 8: Larry Leizure moved that the District determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board, and fix the compensation for any other officers or agents of the District as printed in the Annual Report. Seconded by Mr. Bob Crane. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:17 P.M.

ARTICLE 9: Mr. Rhoades moved that the District accept the reports of agents, auditors and committees or officers chosen as printed in the Annual Report with the following corrections:

Page 90: New England School Supply: \$15.22 in the first column; Premier Printing should be listed only once @ \$7.52, with the others being deleted.

Page 94: Repairs and maintenance should read:

B.J. Lock & Safe	30.00
Hillsboro Paving	2,770.00
Tom Frick, Locksmith	111.25

Mr. Leizure seconded. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:18 P.M.

ARTICLE 10: Mrs. Smith moved that the District raise and appropriate the sum of \$467,803.00 (four hundred sixty-seven thousand, eight hundred three dollars) for the support of schools, the payment of salaries of School District officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of the District. Mr. Rhoades seconded. Mrs. Smith explained that the biggest increases were in teachers' salaries in order to bring them up to a level more in keeping with surrounding areas. Unemployment compensation was expected to increase secondary to needing only 2 teachers next year. The tuition account would be higher. The repair and maintenance would increase to satisfy fire codes. Mr. Bob Crane moved that \$6500 (sixty-five hundred) be removed from the budget, to be taken from the pay of the head teacher, to bring the total amount raised to \$461,303 (four hundred sixty-one thousand, three hundred three dollars). Seconded by Mr. Barker. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:30 P.M. Article 10, as amended, was carried by voice vote at 7:31 P.M. Total raised was \$461,303.

ARTICLE 11: Mr. Bob Crane moved that the District vote to authorize the School Board to apply for, accept and expend, without further action of the School District Meeting, money from any source which becomes available during the fiscal year upon the following conditions:

- A. The money must be used for the legal purpose for which the School District can appropriate money.
- B. The School Board must hold a public hearing in connection with any proposed expenditure of funds.
- C. It shall not require the expenditure of additional School District funds.

This action taken pursuant to the authority of RSA 198:20b. Seconded by Larry Leizure. Motion carried by voice vote at 7:34 P.M.

ARTICLE 12: Vicki Crane moved that a graduation party be given for Grades 5, 6, 7 and 8 this year. Seconded by Beth Gallagher. Carried by voice vote at 7:35 P.M.

Mr. Wright suggested a round of applause for the School Board for upgrading the quality of education this past year. This was done. Mr. Russell moved to direct the School Board to bring to next March's Annual Meeting a proposal to build a new school in Washington. Seconded by Mrs. Hunt. Mr. Jager suggested not tying the Board's hands and letting them make the decision. Mr. Rhoades said the Board would do what they thought best. Mr. Mike Otterson spoke in favor of coming back with another proposal next year. Mr. Jager suggested his enrollment figures be included in the minutes. Mrs. Clark hoped that the people who worked so hard this year to defeat the school

would work as hard next year to help build a new one. Mr. Hofford spoke in favor of looking at other options. Motion passed at 7:50 P.M. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Barker came at 7:51 P.M. Mrs. Smith seconded. Passed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

DIANE D. DREW, Clerk

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

WASHINGTON TOWN HALL

It stands on the edge of the village green,
A million folks have probably seen ... our Town Hall.
They stroll across and read the sign "Erected in 1789."
The logs were cut at Island Pond, framing was
Done ... right here on the lawn
No choppers were hovering, up there in space, when
Those massive timbers were set into place.
Pulley blocks and sweat of the brow ...
Those early builders really knew how ...
To make mortise and tenon and joints that were tight
As they toiled and sweated from morning 'til night.
In telling this story, maybe shocking to some, if
I failed to mention they had plenty of Rum!
Imagine just where this building would be
If rule forbade drinking on town property.
The bell in the town has been made to ring,
For funerals and weddings and other things.
It tolled for the dead, and it rang for joy, and
furnished a thrill for many a boy ...
 who secretly pulled the rope.
The ringing of the bell in the middle of the night
Meant men must run, there was a fire to fight
When first constructed, you may recall.
There was no ceiling in the downstairs hall.
The room was open from wall to wall and
Balconies filled the upstairs hall ... in
Later years they closed it in, so
Plays and dances could begin.
Two more rooms they partitioned off and
Ran an academy in the loft.
If those old timers came back today,
I wonder what they'd have to say.
Would they give us Hell for what we've done,
Or rally 'round and join the fun?
I think they'd join us, one and all
In Happy Two Hundred to our Town Hall.

-- By Frederick G. Otterson